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## News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## War on terrorism

**Japanese criticism:** A delegation of Japan's resurgent opposition party, concluding a four-day series of meetings with U.S. officials, accused Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of turning his back on popular opinion by extending the mission of Japanese troops in Iraq.

While stressing the importance of the U.S.-Japan relationship, Kouhei Ohtsuka, a legislator for the Democratic Party, said relations could ultimately suffer as popular opinion continues to turn against involvement in Iraq.

The Democratic Party made significant gains in Japanese parliamentary elections July 11. Ohtsuka said that as Japan develops a stronger two-party system, it was important to communicate the party's positions on issues including international security to U.S. leaders.

## World

**Japanese elections:** Japan's upper house of Parliament elected its first female speaker on Friday as lawmakers gathered for a special session after elections two weeks ago.

Chikage Ogi, 71, a veteran lawmaker from the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, was voted in at the beginning of the session, upper house official Yoko Murakami said.

**China piracy:** U.S. and Chinese authorities in Shanghai have arrested six people, including two Americans, suspected of running an international counterfeit DVD smuggling ring, police said.

The group is suspected of using the Internet to sell about 100,000 counterfeit DVDs, which were shipped to buyers in 25 countries. Officers in Shanghai seized more than 210,000 pirate DVDs and cash worth about \$93,600, he said.

**South Asia flooding:** Flood-weakened riverbanks collapsed as water engulfed more than 250 homes in Bangladesh, adding to villagers' misery after a month of monsoon rains that have already submerged much of this impoverished country, relief officials said Saturday.

Heavy rains and melting Himalayan snow have swamped two-thirds of Bangladesh and parts of neighboring India and Nepal since June.

The South Asia floods have killed 1,406 people, 489 of them in Bangladesh, according to government figures and those compiled by The Associated Press.



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**Fitness run:** Senior Chief Petty Officer William Norton leads the Misawa Navy fiscal year 2005 Chief Petty Officer Selectees in the base-wide readiness run. Titled a demonstration of "esprit de corps," Misawa Air Base Air Force, Navy, Army and Marine units as well as Japan Self-Defense Forces troops participate in a monthly fitness run.

**Taiwan arms sales:** China's president has voiced strong opposition to U.S. arms sales to Taiwan in a telephone conversation Friday with President Bush, the Beijing government said.

President Hu Jintao told Bush China would "absolutely not tolerate Taiwan independence and absolutely not allow anyone to split Taiwan from China," the Foreign Ministry said in a statement on its Web site. Taiwan, which lies 100 miles off China's southern coast, is considering a plan to spend \$18 billion on anti-missile systems, planes and submarines from the United States.

**Iran nuclear program:** Iran vowed Saturday not to give up its uranium enrichment program and confirmed that it has restarted building centrifuges for that purpose.

Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi said Iran has not resumed enriching uranium, but restarted work on centrifuges in response to the failure of Britain, Germany and France to help close Iran's nuclear dossier in June.

Diplomats said this week that Tehran has restarted equipment used to make uranium hexafluoride, which — when injected into centrifuges and spun — can be enriched to low levels to be used as fuel to generate electricity or to levels high enough to make nuclear weapons.

Kharrazi said Iran restarted the centrifuge construction after the three European countries failed to help close Iran's nuclear dossier despite promising in February to work toward closure by June if Iran stopped making centrifuges. It did so in April.

## States

**Halliburton lawsuit:** Halliburton has sued three former employees who complained about the company's plan to stop providing health insurance for retirees who are eligible for Medicare.

The lawsuit was filed on Jan. 21, shortly after the retirees, including former Halliburton vice president of human resources Paul Bryant, sent a letter complaining about the change. Bryant, 58, retired from Halliburton in 1999.

The case hinges on whether the 1998 merger agreement between Halliburton and Dresser Industries required Halliburton to keep paying benefits to its 4,000 salaried retirees. Bryant, who served on the negotiating committee during the merger, and the two other retired executives argue that it did.

**'Girls Gone Wild' suit:** The marketers of the sexually explicit "Girls Gone Wild" videos and DVDs agreed Friday to pay nearly \$1.1 million to settle government claims that the company shipped unordered products and then charged customers.

As part of the settlement with the Federal Trade Commission, California-based Mantra Films Inc. will pay more than \$548,000 to people who received the videos or DVDs and returned them but did not get a refund for shipping costs.

The FTC said about \$4,000 customers would receive refunds of at least \$5.

**Fast-food lawsuits:** You can super-size, but you can't sue.

Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich on Friday signed a bill barring people from filing lawsuits claiming a restaurant caused weight gain, obesity or other health problems.

Illinois joins 11 other states to enact such laws, 10 of which have been signed since March according to the National Restaurant Association. Louisiana led the way with its frivolous lawsuit law last summer.

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**Loren Thompson**

Defense analyst for the Lexington Institute

# Guam may get what it asked for

## Residents hope U.S. troop buildup on island will boost local economy

**BY PETER PAE**  
Los Angeles Times

TUMON BAY, Guam — The 1940s a capella tune crackles from the local radio station: “Sam, Sam, oh dear Uncle Sam, won’t you please come back to Guam.”

It is a call that the Pentagon is answering with a resounding “yes.”

After three decades of troop reductions, the U.S. military has quietly begun ramping up its presence on this remote Pacific island.

And most residents are putting out the welcome mat, hoping that a renewed commitment from Uncle Sam will revive the U.S. territory’s slumbering economy.

The first signs of the buildup are visible from the control tower of Andersen Air Force Base at the island’s north end. For years, the airfield sat nearly deserted, used as a stopover by military flights and little more. But recently, six B-52 bombers were posted here.

Meanwhile, workers are constructing a \$32 million air-conditioned hangar capable of housing B-2 stealth bombers. The B-2 is nearly invisible to radar, in large part because its special rubber-like skin absorbs radar waves. But the plane is sensitive to humidity, hence the need for a climate-controlled hangar.

At the south end of the island, work is underway at the Naval Station at Apra Harbor. The Navy expects to spend \$30 million to dredge the harbor so it can accommodate any U.S. submarine.

“As of today, all of the Pentagon road maps lead to Guam,” said

Loren Thompson, a defense analyst for the Lexington Institute. “There is definitely going to be an increase in force structure in Guam, and a drawdown in South Korea and Japan. Guam ultimately could become one of two or three major hubs for U.S. activity in the world.”

In turn, many of Guam’s 160,000 inhabitants are hoping for a rerun of the island’s slump days.

Last year, devastated by typhoons, a decline in tourism from Japan and a reduction of U.S. forces that began when the Vietnam War ended, Guam’s economy hit rock bottom. Its unemployment rate climbed to a record 15.5 percent and home values fell to barely half of what they had been a decade earlier.

“We all now recognize the value and economic stability of greater military presence on Guam,” said Gov. Felix Camacho, 46, whose father was the first elected governor of the island and presided over its economic heyday during the Vietnam War. “We really want them here.”

Besides the hangar, about a dozen other construction projects potentially worth a total of \$500 million have been launched or

are planned at Andersen, the Air Force said.

Pentagon strategists are considering basing Global Hawk unmanned spy planes, new F-22 fighter jets and a Marine expeditionary force on Guam, which is part of the Mariana Islands chain.

The Navy already has reactivated a submarine squadron on the island that could include up to nine attack and Trident ballistic missile submarines. Two subs already have been transferred to Guam and a third is expected by fall. Nine submarines would add more than 2,000 crewmen and their families to the base.

Military presence on the island has grown steadily since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks as part of a major shift in the Pentagon’s positioning of military forces worldwide. During the Iraq War, a U.S. Army invasion force had to be diverted when Turkey refused military access. Pentagon planners prefer to base U.S. forces in locations that are free of potential political problems. Because Guam is a U.S. territory, that won’t be a concern, officials say.

Additionally, Guam is only a three-hour flight or a two-day sail to most potential hot spots in Asia, versus eight hours by plane or a week by sea from bases in Hawaii.

“Guam has a lot going for it,” said Gen. William J. Begert, who stepped down this month as the commander of the Pacific Air Force.

Guam buildup comes as the Pentagon is reviewing its installations around the world. By May, a formal list of up to 100 military bases could be recommended for closing.

Any strategic repositioning could affect all areas of the Pacific from San Diego to Japan and South Korea, where local economies rely heavily on the spending of U.S. military personnel. Pentagon officials privately say that no other location is likely to benefit as much from the realignment as Guam, an island that’s barely 32 miles long and 10 miles wide.

The buildup appears to be trickling down through the Guamanian economy. Pickup trucks filled with construction workers line up outside the gates of U.S. military bases every morning. And at resort hotels along Tumon Bay, uniformed U.S. military personnel can be seen milling in lobbies that once catered to Japanese tourists.

The leading edge of any recovery is usually behind the construction industry’s, and they’ve been really busy with military projects,” said Stephen Nygard, publisher of the Guam Business Journal.

In recent months, Nygard noted, the construction of golf courses and hotel renovations — on hold for years — have finally started up.

Real estate agents also see a glimmer of



Andersen Air Force Base sprawls across northern Guam, a U.S. territory in the Mariana Islands. The Pentagon may spend \$500 million building facilities on the island. A B-52 takes off from Andersen Air Force where a new \$32 million climate controlled hangar (in foreground) is being constructed to house B-2 Stealth Bombers.

recovery. The island’s median home price, which peaked at nearly \$200,000 in 1991 before tumbling to \$106,000 last year, has bounced back in recent months to \$124,000.

“It’s been a real struggle,” said W. Nicolas Captain, president of a Guam real estate brokerage. In 2001 half of all Guam real estate transactions involved foreclosures, he said. During the 1980s some apartment complexes were barely 25 percent occupied.

Captain survived the lean years by doing more work in Hawaii, where he kept an office.

So far the biggest impact of the military buildup has been on rental property because most U.S. military personnel live off base in rental units, Captain said.

“It’s not skyrocketing, but it’s healthy,” Captain said. “As time goes on, new construction will be justified.”

Guam became a U.S. territory in 1898. Japanese forces captured the island in 1941 and the Americans recaptured it in 1944. The island has numerous memorials marking World War II battles.

During the Vietnam War, more than 30,000 U.S. sailors and airmen were stationed in Guam, with more than 150 B-52s based on the island to conduct bombing missions over Southeast Asia. The military at that time accounted for about 80 percent of Guam’s economy.

With the end of the Cold War, the mili-

tary pullout accelerated and the number of troops on Guam fell to 5,000.

The island turned to tourism and for a while it seemed that Guam had been unshackled from its reliance on the military. Japanese and South Korean tourists, lured by the inexpensive travel packages and relatively short three-hour flights, flocked to Guam, lured by its sandy beaches and balmy weather.

Then as Japan’s stock market slumped, coupled with the outbreaks of the SARS respiratory ailment and avian flu, Guam’s tourism business sank.

With many skilled construction workers leaving for jobs on the U.S. mainland, Guam’s workforce was declining about 5 percent a year.

Today, with public sentiment in South Korea and Japan shifting against the United States and pressure mounting for the withdrawal of American troops from those countries, most Guamanians favor a larger U.S. presence. In a recent poll, more than 85 percent of those surveyed supported the buildup, said Lee P. Webber, publisher of Guam’s newspaper, the Pacific Daily News.

With all the military construction, and some pickup in tourism, officials on Guam believe its unemployment rate will drop by more than half, to 7 percent.

“The island is in a good position for economic recovery,” Gov. Camacho said. “We’re anticipating a spurt of growth we haven’t seen in many, many years.”

# For some, it'll cost more to chow at Yokota clubs

BY VINCE LITTLE

Stars and Stripes

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — The enlisted and officers' clubs here are raising the prices of buffets, including Friday's popular seafood spread, due to an increase in the cost of food and transportation, 374th Services Division officials announced.

To offset the impending spike, officials said, the Members First Discount is being increased on buffets offered by both clubs. It's part of an effort to reward membership.

"That's our target audience — club members," said Aaron Feinberg, the Enlisted Club's assistant manager. "This will enhance the value of club membership — and show a greater value to our club members."

Club membership dues will remain the same at both establishments, Feinberg said.

At Yokota's Enlisted Club, it's currently \$4 a month for Air Force servicemembers in ranks E-1 to E-4, and \$8 for Air Force personnel E-5 and above, along with Defense

Department civilians and servicemembers from other branches.

An Officers' Club membership costs \$15 per month.

Qualified individuals — usually DOD civilians — can grab a dual club membership for \$23 a month.

Officials say the buffet price changes are being implemented only at Yokota and won't affect other Pacific U.S. air bases.

At the Officers' Club, lunch buffet prices will be changed Tuesday as follows: chef's choice/Italian every Tuesday and Wednesday — \$8.95 with \$2 Members First Discount; Mexican on Thursday — \$9.95 with \$2 member discount; seafood each Friday — \$19.95 with \$2 member discount.

The lunch buffets previously ranged from \$7.50 each Tuesday and Wednesday to \$11.95 for the seafood setup, with a \$1 club discount applied to all.

The Officers' Club dinner meal lineup also is being modified starting Tuesday, with Italian night moving to Tuesdays, Mongolian barbecue returning on Thursdays and the cook-your-own nights being discontinued.

Beginning Sunday, the Enlisted Club's buffet prices for adults also increased.

The Monday through Thursday lunch buffets now will cost \$8.95 — with a \$2 club member discount. Friday's seafood buffet — \$19.95 with \$7 member discount; weekend and holiday all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet — \$9.95 with \$2 member discount.

Prices originally were \$6.50 for the weekday lineup, \$11.95 for the seafood set and \$7.95 for the weekend breakfast buffet, with members receiving \$1 off each.

Japanese national employees on base will get the discount on all buffets, Feinberg said, since they aren't eligible for club membership.

"You only have to pay extra if you're eligible to join the club but choose not to," he said.

The Enlisted Club's breakfast buffet on weekdays and holidays, available from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., now features a 10-item lunch menu beginning at 11 a.m.

Call DSN 227-8820 or 225-8526 for more information on the changes.

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## USS Fort McHenry wages war on cavities



Laura Heinkel/Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

LT. Cmdr. Benjamin Young, dental officer on board the USS Fort McHenry, assisted by Dentalman Sumakal Dupree, also of Fort McHenry, extracts a tooth from a Olongapo City, Philippines, youth during a combined medical and dental project at Kalakaua High School. The effort was a scheduled event during the Philippines phase of exercise Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training. The Fort McHenry operates from Sasebo Naval Base, Japan.

# Navy captain found guilty in unearned medal case

BY SANDRA JONTZ

Stars and Stripes

STAFFORD, Va. — A U.S. Navy captain with 34 years of service was found guilty late Friday night of wearing service ribbons and medals for which he did not rate, including the Silver Star and Distinguished Flying Cross, officials said.

Capt. Roger D. Edwards was found guilty during a court-martial held at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va., and sentenced to 115 days in the brig, forfeiture of \$2,500 pay a month for three months, and a letter of reprimand to be put in his personnel file, said base spokesman Capt. Jeffrey Landis.

The presiding judge, Navy Capt. Henry Lazzaro, did not dismiss him for service, which means Edwards will be entitled to full retirement benefits, Landis said.

Edwards began serving his jail time when the proceeding ended Friday around 10:30 p.m.

Edwards was found guilty on 11 specifications of Article 134, wearing ribbons the judge ruled that he had not earned, including the prestigious Silver Star — the third-highest honor for valor — the Distinguished Flying Cross, four Purple Hearts, a gold star on a Defense Meritorious Award, a gold star on

a Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, and Basic Parachutists Wings, Landis said.

"He apologized for what he did, for bringing discredit upon his service and the Marine Corps and servicemembers who served gallantly and with valor and to the folks who earned the medals," Landis said.

Edwards had served as the lead executive military adviser to the Marine Corps' top medical officer.

He was defended by a civilian attorney he hired, Charlie Gittons, and a military court-appointed lawyer, Lt. Col. Louis Puleo.

Marine Corps captains Charlie Miracle and Ellen Jackson prosecuted the case.

In December 2002, then Commandant Gen. James Jones made Edwards an honorand Marine to acknowledge the medical staff for his contributions to the Corps.

The Marine Corps, part of the Department of the Navy, does not have its own medical staff and relies on the Navy for medical professionals.

Edwards had spent 18 years of his military career working for the Corps.

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## Storm on the move

SASEBO NAVAL BASE, Japan — Tropical Storm Nanthueu was 333 miles east-southeast of Sasebo Naval Base Saturday afternoon and is expected to head to South Korea early this week, according to officials.

Nanthueu was expected to pass over northern Kyushu or southern Shikoku and Honshu Saturday night and head north towards southeastern South Korea early Monday morning, according to a weather statement released by Naval Pacific Meteorology and Oceanography Detachment Sasebo on Saturday afternoon.

No major damage was expected in Sasebo, but due to the slow pace of the storm, "the effects will be felt for several days as it passes Sasebo [Sunday]," the statement said.

Nanthueu is expected to be downgraded to a tropical depression early Tuesday morning, the statement added.

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# Powell visits troops at U.S. Embassy in Iraq

BY JASON CHUDY  
Stars and Stripes

BAGHDAD — Diplomacy took a back seat for an hour or so Friday when Secretary of State Colin Powell visited with troops at the U.S. Embassy during a surprise visit to Iraq.

The retired Army general and former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff was in Baghdad to meet with leaders of Iraq's transitional government, but he also took time to meet with military members.

"He praised the military for their efforts," said embassy spokesman Pete Mitchell. "It was very well received."

The troops agreed.

"Marines love having him around," said Gunnery Sgt. Lance Chwan of the embassy's Marine Corps security guard detachment. "It lets them know that people appreciate them at the top of the food chain."

Army Master Sgt. Salvatore Buccellato said that Powell spoke for seven minutes before wading into the crowd for handshakes and photos.

"He said we have a very important job," Buccellato said.

"We're making history and we should remember what we did here."

Buccellato said he really appreciated the visit but wished Powell could visit troops outside Baghdad.

This was Powell's first visit since sovereignty was passed back to the Iraqis.

"He genuinely wanted to be here," said Army Lt. Col. Tony Cusimano, who works with the Iraqi Ministry of Oil.

"To see the faces on the soldiers and Marines, they were enthralled," Cusimano said.

Lt. Col. Robert Richins of the 1st Cavalry Division's Governance Support Team said it was the second time he's seen Powell in a combat zone.

Powell's words to the troops weren't all serious, though.

"He also made a joke (about service in Iraq) ... that there's going to be a lot of 'BS-ing' out of this," Buccellato said.

"[Powell said] over the years ... the stories may grow," Richins added. "He said he did it, too."

Powell left Kuwait Saturday and flew to Bosnia's capital Sarajevo where he said that all but a small number of U.S. troops will be withdrawn by the end of the year, when the European Union is to take over peacekeeping operations in Bosnia.

The United States dispatched 20,000 troops to Bosnia as part of a postwar peacekeeping effort. About 900 Americans remain among 12,000 NATO-led peacekeepers.

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Black Hawk helicopters from the 82nd Airborne Division patrol the skies over central Iraq in November 2003. The Army's helicopter corps is overhauling itself after a series of setbacks. Army officials, however, insist combat helicopters are a vital tool that fight in ways no other hardware can match.

## Army defends choppers' combat role, works to deal with problems

BY JOHN J. LUMPKIN  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Army is overhauling its helicopter corps after high-profile setbacks in Iraq.

A battle lost, several crashes and the cancellation of the new Comanche stealth helicopter have led critics to suggest the aircraft is too fragile, vulnerable and ineffective for the modern battlefield.

Army officials insist combat helicopters can fight in unmatched ways.

"You can't get one commander in Iraq to let one helicopter come

home," said Brig. Gen. E. J. Sinclair, commander of the U.S. Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker, Ala., in an interview.

Army officials point to a plan to take the \$14.6 billion intended for the Comanche program and use that money to deal with problems in the helicopter service.

A new scout helicopter is planned. Upgrades are in the works for aging Black Hawk and Chinook transports and Apache gunships. Pilots will get more cockpit training before joining combat units.

But to critics such as retired

Gen. Merrill McPeak, a former Air Force chief of staff, helicopter pilots are too slow and easy to detect.

He says they should stay close to the front lines or work in tandem with Air Force strike jets.

During the postwar occupation, Iraqi insurgents have shot down several helicopters, including troop-filled transports, which has led to heavy loss of life.

A helicopter has not gone down to enemy fire since April 11. In combat, pilots have learned to race and strafe and dive at their targets, leaving themselves exposed to enemy fire for only a short time.

In addition, commanders emphasize the helicopter's ability to support troops in urban warfare, lingering overhead to hit combat targets that jets and artillery are unable to target.

The Army is planning to build almost 800 new helicopters, including a new scout to replace the OH-58 Kiowa Warrior, and a new utility helicopter. Attack helicopter companies are expanding from six Apaches to eight.

Other changes are in line with the Army's efforts to make smaller combat units more self-sufficient.

The money for all the changes was intended for the construction of 121 RAH-66 Comanches, which the Army canceled in February.

Sinclair said the helicopter was built to evade radar defenses. But the chief threat to helicopters in Iraq and other recent conflicts has been portable heat-seeking missiles, something the Comanche was not well-protected against.

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# Official: Uzbek blast may be tied to terror trial

The Associated Press

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan — Suicide bombings at the U.S. and Israeli embassies and the Uzbek chief prosecutor's office were the work of the same extremist group behind similar attacks in this former Soviet republic earlier this year, a top anti-terrorism official said Saturday.

A police officer guarding the U.S. Embassy died overnight from injuries in the attacks in Uzbek capital, raising the death toll to at least six, including three bombers, said general prosecutor's spokeswoman Svetlana Artikova.

Oleg Bichenov, the Tashkent police anti-terrorism chief, said

the bombings were in retaliation for the ongoing trial of 15 suspects — allegedly tied to al-Qaida — charged in attacks four months ago that left at least 47 dead.

"It is connected to the trial and has been carried out by remnants of the same group," Bichenov said.

The suicide bombers struck almost simultaneously Friday evening in Tashkent, killing two Uzbek guards outside the Israeli Embassy, including the ambassador's personal bodyguard. Another police officer was also injured at the U.S. Embassy, and seven others were injured at the prosecutor's office, the most heavily damaged building in the attacks.

The attack at the U.S. Embassy occurred when a man walked up to the main entrance and was approached by two police guarding the heavily secured building, the embassy said in a statement.

The man detonated an explosive device before he could be questioned, it said.

The embassy was taking "appropriate security measures" and planned to open Monday, although it was suspending visa operations.

The embassy also urged Americans living in the country to be on the "highest alert." About 700 Americans are registered with the embassy as residents of Uzbekistan.



Police investigators work at the site of an explosion which hit the general prosecutor's office in the Uzbek capital Tashkent on Friday. Suicide bombers staged nearly simultaneous attacks outside the U.S. and Israeli embassies as well.

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## IN THE STATES

## Candidates take platforms for a spin

## Bush defends work on jobs, economy

BY PETE YOST  
The Associated Press

CANTON, Ohio — President Bush, defending his record on the economy, told supporters Saturday in an Ohio town where job losses are a major issue that he has a four-year plan for peace and prosperity.

"After four more years, the American economy will continue to be the strongest in the world," Bush said as his Democratic rival, John Kerry, campaigned in neighboring Pennsylvania.

Bush said factors beyond his control, such as the Sept. 11 attacks and corporate scandals, were to blame for the country's economic problems over the past four years. He also said the economy was weakening when he took office in January 2001.

Bush said he favored fair and reasonable government regulation, less reliance on foreign energy, fewer frivolous lawsuits that hurt businesses, and low taxes.

"That's how you keep jobs at home," the president said.

On the way to Canton, Bush stopped in Akron to pick up about 10 workers at the Timken Co. bearings plants cited by Kerry. Some 1,300 Timken employees are scheduled to lose their jobs.

In May, Kerry urged Bush to intervene, and a month later the Massachusetts senator visited the plants.

Canton is in Stark County, an area that Ohio political analysts say is a bellwether for the rest of the state in presidential elections. Bush won Ohio in 2000 against Democrat Al Gore, and narrowly took Stark County with less than 50 percent of the vote.

No Republican has won the White House without carrying Ohio.

Unemployment in Stark County was 6.4 percent in June, compared with 5.9 percent in May but down from 7.3 percent in June 2003.

Protesters mixed with Bush supporters along the bus route. One boy held up a sign that said, "Bush's last tour."

Earlier Saturday, the Bush caravan stopped in Berea for a visit to the NFL's Cleveland Browns at their training camp. He was shown around by coach Butch Davis and quarterback Jeff Garcia.

Speaking about offensive tackle Ryan Tucker, Bush cracked: "He went to the same high school as my wife, but he's not as good-looking."



President Bush greets supporters at a campaign rally Saturday in Canton, Ohio.



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., reaches for supporters from his bus window Friday in Scranton, Pa.

## Kerry reaches for hunters, undecided

BY MARY DALRYMPLE  
The Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Democrats John Kerry and John Edwards rolled their post-nomination campaign into the heart of Pennsylvania, pitching their presidential ticket to independent voters in this battleground state.

On the first day of a two-week bus tour that will take the running mates through 21 states from coast to coast, Kerry visited thousands of supporters gathered Friday in front of the capitol of a state courted and coveted by Republicans and Democrats.

Kerry tailored an environmental message to sportsmen.

"This is one of the great preserves that cares about hunting and fishing and I saw you — as a hunter, as a fisherman — we need to preserve the habitat," the Massachusetts senator said.

His pitch to independent and undecided voters included a strong emphasis on defense and security in an age of terrorism.

In remarks prepared for a rally in Greensburg, Pa., Kerry struck a familiar theme from his convention speech earlier in the week: America can do better.

"We are less than 100 days away from the election," Kerry

said. "We all know elections are about choices and choices are about values. In the end, it's not just policies and programs that matter. The president behind the desk must be guided by principle."

Retired Gen. Merrill A. McPeak, who was Air Force chief of staff during the first Gulf War, said Saturday in the Democrats' weekly radio address that he withdrew his support from President Bush to support Kerry on the strength of Kerry's wartime service and experience in Vietnam.

"The real deal for me is not whether a strategy or a plan or an idea is Republican or Democrat, but whether it makes us safer," he said. "And it means an awful lot to me that John Kerry fought for his country as a young man."

Kerry told The Associated Press in his first interview as the Democrats' presidential candidate that he would put the Sept. 11 attacks' suspected mastermind on trial in U.S. courts as the "fastest, surest route" to a murder conviction.

Osama bin Laden should be tried in New York City, Virginia and Pennsylvania, Kerry said.

Kerry concluded his Harrisburg remarks by urging supporters to ask their conservative friends to consider him.

## Retired flag officers no longer holding their tongue on politics

BY HARRY LEVINS  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — Gen. Omar Bradley once said, "Thirty-two years in the peacetime Army taught me to do my job, hold my tongue and keep my name out of the papers."

But last week's papers listed a dozen retired generals and admirals who allied themselves with Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry. Even more retired officers are expected to rally this month behind President Bush.

Their involvement runs against the grain of American military tradition, several scholars say.

Other retired generals call that view nonsense.

"We fought the wars, and we understand what war is all about," says retired Army Lt. Gen. Sam Wetzel.

Until recent decades, American generals and admirals have largely steered clear of politics.

In 1884, the Republicans asked the Army's William Tecumseh

Sherman to run for president. He famously replied, "If nominated, I will not run; if elected, I will not serve."

Others would. In the 19th century, two active-duty generals (Winfield Scott and Winfield Scott Hancock) won presidential nominations but lost the elections. And the 20th century, two active-duty generals let it be known (in vain) that they were available — Leonard Wood in 1920 and Douglas MacArthur in 1944.

But by and large, tradition in the officers' mess held that politics (like sex) was a taboo topic. One Dwight Eisenhower sought the Republican nomination in 1952, nobody knew whether he was a Republican or a Democrat.

"Almost all officers abstained from voting, much less taking an active role in politics," says Jerry Cooper, professor emeritus of military history at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

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# Last of big mafia bosses is convicted

BY JOHN MARZULLI  
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — Joseph Massino, the last of the old-time gangsters, was convicted Friday of masterminding a 25-year reign of bloody terror that included seven gangland murders.

Betrayed by his Bonanno mob brethren, including his own brother-in-law, Massino was found guilty on all counts in the sweeping racketeering indictment.

Massino, 61, took the verdict without a hint of emotion. But his wife, Josephine, who attended virtually every day of the 10-week trial, appeared dazed as the jury forewoman read from the 23-page verdict sheet.

"Oh, God," his daughter Adeline gasped as she put her head in her hands.

Finally, Massino turned toward his wife

and simply lifted his hands in a shrug.

The verdict guarantees the crime boss will spend the rest of his life in prison without the possibility of parole.

The stunning verdict was the culmination of an investigation into the Bonanno clan launched 25 years ago when famed undercover FBI agent Joseph Pistone infiltrated the gang posing as mob wannabe Donnie Brasco.

"Joey is the last of the real gangsters," Pistone told the Daily News on Friday.

"It's the passing of the American Mafia as we knew it."



Massino

Massino was also the last of the bosses of the five New York Mafia families still operating.

He was toppled by the damning testimony of eight mob turncoats, including brother-in-law and underboss Salvatore (Good Looking Sal) Vitale.

Prosecutors said it was the first time a made member of the Bonanno crime family had cooperated with the government.

Brooklyn U.S. Attorney Roslyn Maudslott kept the prosecution the "most sustained assault against a single organized crime family in the history of organized crime investigations."

"The government proved a sweeping pattern of vice and violence that silenced the loyal and netted Massino's criminal enterprise millions," she said.

Among the mobster's murder victims

was Dominick (Sonny Black) Napolitano, the mobster who introduced FBI agent "Bronco" to the family.

Prosecutors next turned their attention to Massino's ill-gotten gains, an estimated \$11 million in assets the government is seeking in a forfeiture action that must be decided by the same anonymous jury.

After deliberating briefly on the matter, the panel adjourned and will return on Monday to resume its discussion.

Earlier, defense lawyers rejected a deal that Massino coughed up \$11 million to pay for allowing his wife to remain in their \$700,000 home in Howard Beach, Queens.

"That's my house they want to take!" Josephine Massino hissed, showing more emotion than when her husband was convicted of murder, arson, loansharking, extortion and gambling.

## Lies trail missing woman's husband

BY PAUL FOY  
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — By all accounts, Mark Hacking was fun to be around and loving to his wife. He wanted to be liked and respected and, like his father, to become a doctor.

But years of deceptions are catching up to Hacking, a 28-year-old former night-shift hospital orderly. He has become the focus of police in the disappearance of his wife, who vanished as they were packing to move to a medical school where, it turns out, he wasn't enrolled.

And friends and co-workers are recalling moments when they believe Lori Hacking discovered her husband's propensity for lying. Not only was he never accepted to a North Carolina medical school, he had dropped out of college, even though he kept textbooks spread open around his apartment.

Detective Phil Esslinger said police are trying to build a "rock-solid" case, but they lack one important piece of evidence that had cadaver dogs working a municipal landfill this week.

"We need a body," Assistant District Attorney Bob Stott said Friday.

Mark Hacking often hung out at a neighborhood store — refilling sodas, eating hot-dogs and smoking Camel menthols — when his wife was at work and he was supposedly attending classes or studying for medical exams.

Clerks say he asked them never to reveal his cigarette habit to his wife. He told them he was a therapist.

Like his wife, Hacking is a Mormon who isn't supposed to smoke.

His history of deceptions, petty and grand, took family members by surprise when they started unraveling last week, says his father, Douglas Hacking, a pediatrician.

Mark Hacking was taken to a psychiatric ward a day after the search for his wife began, after he was seen running around at night naked in sandals outside a motel where he'd taken a room.

Doctors are trying to "sort out what is going on in his mind," his father said.

The family hired a noted Utah defense lawyer, D. Gilbert Athay, who was seen at the University of Utah Neuropsychiatric Institute as recently as Thursday. Athay will confirm only that he has spoken several times with Hacking.

Hacking never was on track to become a doctor, nor he a therapist. State records show he is a licensed health care assistant, a job he resigned July 23 that is being advertised at the University of Utah. The job posting says health care assistants start at \$8.42 an hour and must be available for odd work hours.

Records show Lori Hacking, a 27-year-old stockbroker's assistant at Wells Fargo, graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of Utah in 1999. She put her plans to pursue an MBA on hold until her husband could graduate from medical school.

She was last seen by friends Sunday night, July 18, and failed to show for work the next morning at 7 a.m.

Mark Hacking has told police his wife didn't return from a sunrise jog July 19, but his timeline is falling apart.

Police don't believe Lori Hacking ever went jogging at a city park and doubt his claims he jogged the route before reporting her missing. They say she was crossing a store buying a new mattress at 10:23 a.m., before alerting police at 10:49 a.m. Police have recovered the old mattress from a trash bin in their neighborhood.



SOARES AND HACKING FAMILIES/AP

Years of deceptions are catching up to Mark Hacking, who has become the focus of a police investigation into the disappearance of his pregnant wife, Lori, who was reported missing July 19.

## Candidate better known for unsolved murder than politics

BY JOHN FLESHER  
The Associated Press

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. — The candidates for state representative in Michigan's 105th District are doing what politicians normally do the weekend before a primary election: knocking on doors, attending parties, making get-out-the-vote calls.

But the presence of John Ramsey, father of slain child beauty queen JonBenet Ramsey, makes this race in rural northern Michigan anything but ordinary.

"It's got all the dynamics of many similar races around the state — except for John Ramsey," said Bill Ballenger, editor of the Lansing newsletter Inside Michigan Politics.

Ramsey is among six candidates for the Republican nomination, but the others haven't been featured on CNN's "Larry King Live" or profiled in People maga-

zine. Poll results this week indicated an astounding 95 percent of likely GOP voters in the district recognized his name.

"That bit about equal time for the candidates is a farce," complained Jeff Garfield, an Oregon County commissioner and one of Ramsey's rivals.

For his part, Ramsey says he hasn't sought national media attention and has rejected most interview requests from the district. Instead, he has focused on grassroots organizing, fund-raising and local issues such as economic growth.

"Certainly we'd be disappointed

if we didn't win, but I'd also be a bit surprised," Ramsey said Friday. "If we get our people out to vote, I think we'll be fine."

The poll by Lansing-based EPIC-MRA taken July 22 through Monday indicated the race was a statistical dead heat between Ramsey and three others.

It suggested Ramsey's high name recognition was not completely beneficial: Nearly four in 10 people surveyed had a negative impression of him, while only three in 10 had a positive view.

Ramsey campaign manager John Yob said that is a good showing in view of his candidate's past. Six-year-old JonBenet was found beaten and strangled in the family's home in Boulder, Colo., in 1996.

Boulder police said early on that John Ramsey and his wife, Patsy, were under an "umbrella of suspicion," while the Ramseys insisted an intruder was responsible.



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# Politics: Tide started turning in '50s

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Historian Richard Kohn of the University of North Carolina says officers of that generation "considered it improper to involve themselves in politics. They didn't want to compromise their role as neutral servants of the state."

Cooper thinks things began to change in the 1950s, when Army generals like Matthew Ridgway and James Gavin resigned rather than go along with Eisenhower's cut-back of the Army. (Cooper adds, "One has to admire the fact that they quit before they criticized.") Political scientist Peter Feaver of Duke University cites the demise in the Vietnam era of the pro-defense wing of the Democratic Party and its leader, Sen. Henry M. "Scoop" Jackson of Washington.

Then, says Feaver, along came Ronald Reagan to build up the armed forces. "You had one party embracing the military and one party spurning the military," Feaver says.

Under Bill Clinton, Feaver adds, the politicization spread to the ranks of the retired.

"In 1992, Clinton trotted out retired flag officers to counter the charge that he was a draft-dodger," says Feaver. Among them was Adm. William Crowe, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1985-89 — and one of last week's campaigners for Kerry.

Now, the gates stand wide open. A spokesman for Bush's campaign told The Washington Post that later this month, "We will announce the support of over 100 retired flag officers."

All of those interviewed agree that once

a general retires, he (or she; Kerry's bunch includes former Lt. Gen. Claudia J. Kennedy) has any citizen's right to take part in politics.

Still, Some question the wisdom — and the long-range affect.

North Carolina's Kohn says, "It sends a message to active-duty people: 'It's OK to be political.'"

Duke's Feaver notes that four-star generals are picked by the president. He says, "A new commander-in-chief might say, 'I'd better pick somebody I can trust politically. I don't want them to turn around and rat on me as soon as they retire.'"

It compromises the commander-in-chief's ability to get unpromised military advice.

Politicization can also compromise soldiers, says retired Lt. Gen. Walter Ulmer of the Army.

"My gut reaction is one of discomfort," he says. "If we get to the point where the military is involved with a political ideology, there's a potential for compromising their military professionalism."

Kohn says that political dabbling "undermines the neutrality of the military, as perceived by the American people." He adds, "It reinforces the view that the military is just another special-interest group."

Retired Lt. Gen. Julius Becton of the Army agrees that he'd have a problem if those speaking out were still on active duty. "But when an officer retires," Becton says, "he's a citizen, like anyone else — and he's been exposed to a lot more than most citizens." Feaver says the use of retired generals as campaigners is probably here to stay. "The parties can't stop themselves."

# Merriam-Webster updates with pleather and MP3s

BY TRUDY TYNAN

The Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — "Teensploitation's" time has come — at least in the dictionary.

"Pleather," "body wrap," "MP3," and "information technology" are among the other new words and phrases that have gotten the nod from the editors at Merriam-Webster in the annual update of their Collegiate Dictionary.

The inclusion of teensploitation — the exploitation of teenagers by the producers of teen-oriented films — comes 22 years after the word first appeared in show-business publications, said John M. Morse, president and publisher of the Springfield-based dictionary company. And it illustrates how language evolves.

"Teensploitation," he explains, is an offshoot of "blaxploitation," a melding of black and exploitation coined in the 1970s to refer to the

exploitation of blacks by producers of films aimed at black audiences.

"It's interesting because we have a new word spawned by another decade later," Morse said. "Both words were the sort that as a lexicographer you approach with interest, but some caution."

The concern is that the words might be "a fad of the moment," he said. Still, over the past two decades "teensploitation" has moved from entertainment magazines to

mainstream publications such as Vogue, Vanity Fair and The New York Times.

And it is when a word or new usage becomes used with some frequency by the popular press that it becomes a candidate for the dictionary. About a year after publication of its 11th edition of its Collegiate Dictionary — a wholesale updating done once a decade — the book has gone through four printings with a total of 1 million volume printed, Morse said.

Twenty years have been a typical time for a word to become used

enough to merit a place in an abridged dictionary, such as the Collegiate, he said.

"Pleather" — a plastic fabric made to look like leather — first appeared in 1982 and "body wrap," referring to a beauty treatment, appeared in 1974.

But the Internet has speeded that up. And some of this year's new words had to wait a fraction of that time. Darnstadt was officially approved as the name for element No. 110 in 2003 and MP3 — as the name for a computer file or the audio file format — first appeared in 1996.

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## Bruff stars with Portman

Zach Bruff dreamed about working alongside Natalie Portman as he prepared to make his first movie.



Bruff

"Of course I thought she was gorgeous, but in addition to that, of the gorgeous Hollywood actresses, I think there's an elite few who are also really talented," Bruff said in Washington while promoting "Garden State," which he wrote, directed

and stars in.

But he never imagined he'd persuade the famously selective actress to sign on as his love interest.

"It was a daydream. It was never talked about or banded about as anything realistic. We were always saying, you know, like Natalie Portman, someone like a Natalie Portman," Bruff said.

Portman, however, liked the script and accepted the part immediately after having lunch with the 29-year-old "Scrubs" star.

## 'Amazing' elimination

It was all business for Joyce Nicolo and Bob Barron, the Inter-

net dating couple eliminated this week on CBS' "The Amazing Race."

Nicolo, 54, and Barron, 64, the oldest team in this season's reality TV competition, blame only being able to attain business-class tickets from Argentina to Russia as their downfall.

According to the show's rules, teams can only fly coach.

"I knew in my heart that it was going to be the end for us" because going to get coach tickets, Nicolo said Wednesday.

## Simmons' drug charges

Kimora Lee Simmons, wife of hip-hop mogul Russell Simmons, faces drug and motor vehicle

charges after police said she was driving erratically and ignored the flashing lights of a cruiser for nearly two miles.



Simmons

The 29-year-old Simmons was arrested just after midnight Monday outside the couple's estate in Saddle River, N.J., according to published reports.

Saddle River police and a spokeswoman for Ms. Simmons didn't immediately return messages left on Thursday.

She was charged with eluding an officer, possessing marijuana, careless driving and operating a vehicle while possessing a drug.

## 'Reel Big' wedding

Singer-guitarist Aaron Barrett of Southern California-based ska-punk band Reel Big Fish has married.

Barrett wed Molly Terrence, an aspiring actress, during a July 21 ceremony in Las Vegas, spokesman Mike Cubillos said recently.

The band, which formed in Huntington Beach, became popular in the late 1990s on the strength of hits such as the 1997 single "Sell Out."

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**Afternoon**  
1:30 A.M. Movie (1995): It Takes Two (2:00)(12)  
4:00 Junior Senior High School Athletics Meet: Track and Field (3)  
5:50 News (6)  
**Evening**  
7:00 News (1)  
10:00 News (1)  
10:00 Nikita (42)  
12:16 Champions Tour: U.S. Senior Open - Final Round Highlights (10)  
12:50 MLB Highlights (6)  
1:40 U.S. Movie (1996): The Long Kiss Goodnight (2:16)(4)  
2:45 Formula Frenzy: The 5th Round, Sugar (5)  
3:10 World Folk Music (1)(R)

**JAPAN TV-BS7**

**Morning**  
7:00 Kario Webb's Simple Golf (12)  
7:30 Football Mundial  
8:00 Top News from Around the World  
8:30 Top News from Around the World  
10:00 MLB: Baltimore Orioles vs. New York Yankees  
**Afternoon**  
1:00 World News Hour  
2:00 ABC News  
3:00 CNN News  
4:00 World News Hour  
5:00 CNN News  
**Evening**  
6:00 Japan Pro Ball: Seibu Lions vs. Orix Blue Wave  
7:00 Football Mundial  
10:00 MLB Highlights  
11:00 BS News  
11:30 Football News

12:16 PGA Golf: Buick Open, Final Round (r)  
2:05 Asian News  
3:25 Amazing Sports (r)  
3:50 ABC News  
4:40 Asian News  
5:00 Top News from Around the World

**JAPAN TV-BS11**

**Afternoon**  
2:30 U.S. Movie (1945): *Dakota* (1:25)  
**Evening**  
7:00 NHK News  
12:00 U.S. Movie (1973): *Serpico* (2:06)  
2:05 Movie Director: Sidney Lumet

**WOWOW**

**Morning**  
6:30 Oswald #38  
7:30 TV Series: Friends

9:50 Korean Movie (2001): My Sassy Girl (2:07)  
**Afternoon**  
1:00 U.S. Movie (2002): Showtime (1:40)  
3:00 U.S. Movie (2001): Kate & Leopold (2:00)  
5:30 Comedy (2001): #32 (1:30)

6:00 Spanish Soccer Liga Espanola: Valencia vs. Real Madrid  
8:00 U.S. Movie (2001): Don't Say a Word (1:55)  
10:00 Canadian Movie (2001): Picture Clarity (1:34)

## MTV

**Morning**  
6:00 Wake Up  
7:00 Guest Friday  
8:00 Top Choice  
9:00 Pure Music  
10:00 Special: The Osbournes Marathon #

10:30 i-Catch Special  
11:00 Top Choice

12:00 Rocks  
1:00 Classic  
1:30 Top Choice  
2:00 Pure Music  
3:00 Top Choice  
4:00 Top Choice Selection: Rock  
5:00 Summer Sonic '04 Performing Artists  
Music Video Special  
5:30 Top Choice  
**Evening**  
6:00 Fresh Monday  
7:00 U.S. Top 20 with Super Dry  
9:00 The Super Dry Live Special: Ayumi  
Namazaki  
9:30 M Size All Request  
10:00 Rocks  
11:00 25Bill: Beastie Boys  
12:00 Classic 90's  
12:00 Fresh Monday  
2:00 M Size All Request  
2:30 Check the Rhyme  
3:00 After Hours

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## Show power of opinions

The letters to the editor section has always been the forum for the average Joe to speak out. In fact, it's most likely the last true window into the mind of those who, first, take the time to read and, second, are aware of what's going on in current events. Skip all the polls they are manipulated by the takers or select too many of a section to count) and, as my dad was fond of saying, trust nothing you hear (television, movies, radio, politicians) and only half of what you read (revisionist history books, complicated and over-detailed studies and reports).

For the record, I support our president. I grew up as a Democrat and morphed into a conservative to moderate Republican (having kids, living with too many "good intention" programs that strangle the economy) who now wonders what the fuss is all about. Neither man running for office has been poor or over-middle class. They never had to wonder how to pay the rent, find a running car to get them around, or experience the various ways hamburger can be dressed up and served. Don't count on Ralph Nader or the other lesser known candidates.

Vote. It does not matter for whom you vote. Just get off your butt and do it. By failing to voice your opinion, you are allowing your kids, living with too many "good intention" programs that strangle the economy, to dictate your future.

Speaking of voicing opinions, I have ideas for three men recent in the news:

■ I say we draft Bill Cosby into his own military secretariat of education.

■ Julian Bond needs to take his racist ire and go home.

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■ Give Charles Robert Jenkins his day in court. If he's guilty then 40 years of North Korea food and movies is punishment enough and stripping him of his U.S. citizenship and barring him from returning will be sufficient for him as a man. Let him stay in Japan if they will take him.

These are just the thoughts of an average Joe. My family never sat in the White House, never went sailing with JFK, and never made a fortune in the courts. We are

the ones who pay the taxes, join the military, raise families and love our nation for giving us the right to do this.

Steven R. Tucker

Yongsan Garrison, South Korea

## Photos can afford war

I totally agree with the writer of the July 28 letter "Cover troops, not enemy." Why on earth are insurgent photographs being published in Stars and Stripes? In World War II, such photographs would be considered propaganda by the enemy. This isn't a football game, where you give equal coverage to opposing teams. This is life and death.

Who was on the receiving end of that round seen leaving an insurgent mortar? Those family had a loved one killed in that burning vehicle, which insurgents are dancing in front of. Insurgents are criminals.

Oh, wait a minute, when I come to it of it, Stars and Stripes and all the other news outlets around the world must be secretly "encouraged" by insurgents to publish videos to display videos and photographs of insurgents committing murder. Why? So the insurgents can be identified by informants, then hunted and tracked down. Because when these insurgents are captured, there's a tangible proof against them that's going to stand up in a court of law.

Maybe Stars and Stripes should keep up the good work. You're encouraging insurgents to identify themselves. Then they can be eliminated.

Paul DesJardins

RAF Mildenhall, England

## Reagan helps stem tide of progress

BY MICHAEL FUMENTO

Scripts Howard

I t may be the greatest medical breakthrough in our or in any lifetime: the use of embryonic stem cells," Ron Reagan told excited listeners at the Democratic National Convention. These cells could "cure a wide range of fatal and debilitating illnesses: Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, lymphoma, spinal-cord injuries and much more."

Yet, "there are those who would stand in the way of this remarkable future, who would deny the federal funding so crucial to basic research," he warned.

Now why would the Democrats choose Ron Reagan to deliver this speech? The reason, naturally, is that Ron Reagan is not only the son of a conservative Republican president, but of one whose disease he's told could one day be cured with ES cell therapy. How utterly delicious! Liberal, pro-Kerry columnist Richard Cohen accused Ron Reagan of "grave robbery," not so much for exploiting his father's name but for doing it so cynically. After all, Ron Reagan is a lifelong liberal who never voted for his dad, according to Reagan's other son, columnist and radio-show host Michael Reagan. And Miss Manners would surely not

approve of Ron Reagan converting the eulogy for his father into a political speech with a thinly veiled swipe at President Bush for "wearing his faith on his sleeve to gain political advantage."

In a recent column I'm happy to say that my friend, Michael Reagan declared he was "tired of the media's insistence on reporting that the Reagan 'family' is in favor of stem-cell research, when the truth is that two members of the family have been long-time foes of ... my dad, Ronald Reagan, during his lifetime, and me."

As to Ron Reagan's convention speech, it was so opposite the truth as to resemble a photographic negative.

Far from blocking federal ES cell research funding, Bush specifically authorized it so long as it used existing lines of embryonic cells. But more remarkably, Ron Reagan made absolutely no reference to an alternative that is decades more advanced and carries no moral baggage. "Adult stem cells" can be extracted from various places in the human body. They were first used to treat human illness in 1957.

By the 1980s, AS cells were literally curing a variety of cancers and other diseases; AS cells have never been tested on a human. AS cells now treat about 80 different diseases; again, ES cells have treated no one. AS

cells obviously aren't rejected when taken from a patient's own body, though they may be from an unmatched donor. ES cells have surface proteins that often cause rejection.

Regarding Alzheimer's specifically, drugs will probably provide the cure. But forget ES cells, as Ronald McKusky, a stem-cell researcher at the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, recently told The Washington Post. He labeled claims of an ES cure for Alzheimer's "a fairy tale."

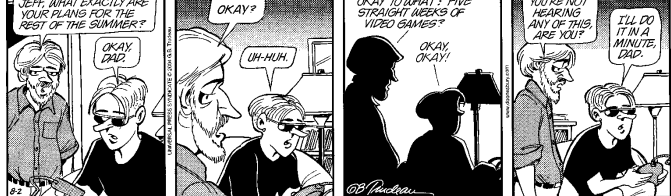
So why do we keep hearing so much about "miraculous" ES cells? Because private investors know otherwise, pumping money into AS research and leaving ES cell labs and companies desperate to feed from the public trough.

Ron Reagan began his talk by saying it "should not — must not — have anything to do with partisanship," thereby signaling its sole purpose: The Democratic position is a cynical and cruel attempt to strip away Republicans' kept ignorant of AS cells and convince them Bush is pigheadedly stopping a technology that will cure everything from Alzheimer's to AIDS. In what's already a nasty campaign, Ron Reagan's speech may have been the most vicious attack yet.

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## BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## Doonesbury



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## OPINION

## Liberals at least love eery Bush creates

BY MAX BOOT

**T**he Democratic delegates in Boston tried hard to be as sober, moderate and unexciting as a case study at the Kennedy School of Government. They didn't want any unseemly emotions about the incumbent president to mar media coverage of their convocation. But if they were being honest, in their heart of hearts, they would have to admit ... they love George W. Bush.

Oh, I know they have a funny way of showing it. But remember how back in grade school, when a boy had a crush on a girl he would pull her pigtails? That's the Democrats and Dubya. Sure, they may compare him to Adolf Hitler — at least they do when they're not in Boston — but, admit it, fellas, you really like the big lug in the Oval Office.

Politics is pretty boring unless you can be on the front lines, combating the forces of evil. It's fun to ... imagine that you and your friends are the only thing preventing the dark night of fascism from descending. It's exciting to imagine that you are braving *Überfuhler* John Ashcroft's attempts to suppress dissent — especially when, unlike real dissidents in places like Burma and Iran, you don't face any actual danger.

It's fun, and profitable too. The Democrats may be right when they say the Bush recovery has delivered most of its benefits to the "rich." What they're not mentioning is how many liberal rabble-rousers are now in that category, thanks to the president.

That hoary old Stalinist organ, the *Nation*, has seen circulation soar more than 50 per-

cent since Bush took office. It actually made a profit last year. Isn't that politically incorrect? Michael Moore is making out like Louis B. Mayer, raking in more than a hundred million smackers with a film ... that implies Bush invaded Afghanistan at the behest of Big Oil ...

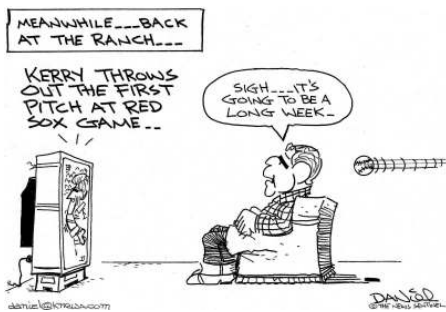
Half the books on the ... bestseller list ... have titles like "Worse Than Ebola: The Bush Virus Infects America." Every two-bit leftist hack is picking up royalty checks that would make John Updike blush.

Naturally, when opportunity is in the air, Hollywood picks up the scent. Every C-list has-been — yes, that means you, Linda Ronstadt; you too, Whoopi — is lining up to take a whack at the Bush pituitary in hopes of landing a better gig than "Hollywood Squares."

If liberals want to know how good they have it these days, they should talk to some conservatives. The right can look back nostalgically on the Clinton presidency as a golden age when anyone with a conspiracy theory involving ... Arkansas could land a six-figure book deal and a radio show. ...

And, then, wham!

The election of Bush was for conservative activists what the crash of 2000 was for high-tech investors. Crazy right-wing polemicists have been elbowing off the sales charts by crazy left-wing polemicists. Conservatives are left to grumble quietly about all the things that Bush has done to make them unhappy — but on his unwillingness to invite Tom DeLay to grace prime time at the upcoming GOP convention to his willingness to spend your tax dollars as if he were running



a dot-com circa 1999. But the right can't roar too loudly, because ... Bush is their guy.

The left may find itself in the same position before long. If John Kerry wins, he'll inherit a deficit large enough to preclude the social programs demanded by his base. Congress probably will be so divided that he won't be able to legislate much of anything. The United States still will have troops in Iraq that Kerry will be hard-pressed to remove, even though 95 percent of Democrat-

ic delegates say they oppose the war. ...

Bottom line: Governing is a drag. It involves compromises and trade-offs that, to zealots, always seem to be sellouts. Protest is much more fun. If the partysquers in Boston know what's good for them, they'll have the time of their lives now, hootin' and hollerin' about Bush, and then quietly vote to give the ol' fascist four more years.

Max Boot is a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. This column first appeared in the *Los Angeles Times*.

## U.S. troops overseas mustn't be restricted by ICC

BY GEORGE NETHERCUTT

**T**he United Nations wants Americans serving overseas to be subject to the same courts and jurisdictions as terrorists, thugs and tyrants. That's wrong.

Three weeks ago, the U.N. Security Council dealt a blow to U.S. engagement around the world by opening the door to prosecution of U.S. troops in politically driven international courts. Specifically, the Security Council refused to renew an exemption for U.S. troops from prosecution by the International Criminal Court, creating an unacceptable risk of politically motivated legal action against Americans serving abroad.

Until now, the U.N. has exempted U.S. servicemembers from the ICC to facilitate U.S. engagement around world and the war against terror. But now, with the exemption lapsed and an extension denied, the United States will be forced to limit international operations and partnerships to countries that have agreed not to turn over Americans to the ICC. Now is not the time to pull back — with al-Qaida on the defensive, it is essential that we press forward to eradicate the scourge of terrorism in all corners of the globe.

The ICC has the admirable goal of holding international criminals accountable. But in reality it has only supplanted domestic courts with the unchecked judgment of global bureaucrats. While it may be necessary to prosecute war criminals from nations without courts, the ICC is an affront to American sovereignty and good will.

The ICC would claim jurisdiction over U.S. citizens anywhere in the world, even though the United States is not a party to the

treaty and never agreed to the court's rule. The ICC charter nevertheless allows unaccountable prosecutors to pursue cases against Americans, even if the defendant had already been investigated and prosecuted by U.S. courts. The court lacks even the most basic checks and balances — the prosecutor does not report to any elected body or the U.N. Security Council.

Fears of potential political manipulation at a court intended to prosecute war criminals is not an academic exercise. Belgium had strikingly similar legislation on the books until last year, which led to lawsuits alleging that President George H.W. Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of State Colin Powell had committed war crimes.

When the president sends members of the armed forces on missions around the world, he asks them to uphold their oath to "support and defend the Constitution." But we equally expect that these personnel will not lose their constitutionally guaranteed rights

as a consequence of overseas service. As President Bush has said, "no person who serves under the American flag will answer to his or her own superiors and to military law, nor to the rulings of an unaccountable International Criminal Court."

The only option open to protect military personnel around the world is to accelerate the adoption of agreements to exempt our citizens from application of the ICC. More than 90 countries have signed these agreements, but there are still substantial gaps. (Late last month, lacking a Security Council exemption or Article 98 protection, the U.S. pulled out of peacekeeping missions in Kosovo and in Ethiopia and Eritrea.)

The Armed Services members Protection Act was enacted in 2002 as a tool to persuade nations that receive U.S. military assistance to sign Article 98 agreements. While the carrot-and-stick approach has persuaded many nations that these agreements are in our joint national interest, the Security Council's reluctance has increased the ur-

gency of bringing more nations on board. That's why I fought to broaden the application of ASPA to nations that also receive Economic Support Fund assistance.

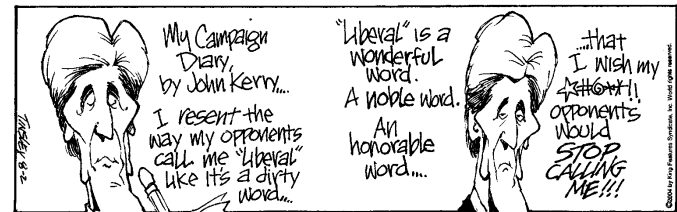
Economic aid is an important tool to promote American interests abroad, and nothing is more essential than safeguarding our troops overseas. It is reasonable to expect that countries receiving millions in [U.S.] taxpayer assistance will agree to sign Article 98 agreements.

This enhancement of ASPA was adopted by a broad, bipartisan majority in the House of Representatives, sending a clear signal to the Security Council that Congress will step in to protect members of the armed forces. The House of Representatives has acted, but U.S. troops will not be protected until the Senate and Administration follow suit. This issue cannot wait in belated gridlock: Americans serving overseas have enough enemies, even without unaccountable prosecutors and politically motivated international courts.

Rep. George Nethercutt, R-Wash., is vice chairman of the House defense appropriations subcommittee.

## Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



## Shipwreck claim

**MI** TRAVERSE CITY — A Great Lakes treasure hunter has sued to protect a shipwreck he says he discovered but refuses to identify.

Steven Libert of Virginia has tried to lay claim to the Lake Michigan wreck. It is about 3.5 miles west of Poverty Island and Summer Island near the Wisconsin shore, about 55 miles northwest of Leelanau County in Michigan's northwestern Lower Peninsula.

The federal lawsuit contains little information about the vessel's identity, referring to it as a "sailing ship which sank scores of years ago" and possibly having been involved in a "foreign research expedition."

Suing a shipwreck in federal court is a legal means to take ownership of a sunken ship, Traverse City attorney Merritt Green said.

State archaeologist John Halsey says Libert believes he may have found the Griffin, the first European-decked ship to sail the upper Great Lakes and a prize among Great Lake shipwreck hunters.

## Slain boy's mother jailed

**NJ** MOUNT HOLLY — A woman who admitted beating her boyfriend's 3-year-old son to death after he wet the bed was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Karen Molina was sentenced Friday after pleading guilty to an aggravated manslaughter charge in March. She initially told police that Stephen Donley's injuries stemmed from a fall, but later told authorities she took him into the bathroom after he wet the bed and slammed his head into a door.

Molina, 34, put the child back in bed and he was found later having seizures, authorities said. The boy died six days later in April 2002; an autopsy determined he died from blunt force trauma to the head.

The boy's father, Bryan Donley, was not home when the beating occurred and was not charged in the case.

## No cruising allowed

**VA** RICHMOND — A city councilman is proposing an anti-prostitution ordinance that would fine motorists who cruise.

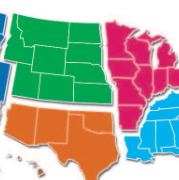
Under the proposal by Councilman William J. Pantele, motorists would be able to charge motorists with a traffic infraction for passing by the same point in the same direction more than twice in a three-hour span between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. Each infraction could carry a fine of up to \$100.

The proposal, however, already has raised concerns by the Virginia chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, which contends the anti-cruising law would conflict with constitutional guarantees "to move about freely in our society."

The new measure is scheduled for a vote Monday.

## Infants' remains ID'd

**MN** MINNEAPOLIS — Three infants whose decades-old remains were found in locked trunks last year probably died of natural causes, the county coroner



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announced Thursday.

The remains were found by Kathleen Manning in trunks she inherited from her mother, Cheri Herzog, who died in 1999. Herzog's personal effects went into storage for four years until Manning began going through them last August.

According to a statement from the Anoka County coroner, the infants included two boys and a girl. The infants were full term or nearly full term when they died, and their deaths probably occurred in the 1960s, the statement said.

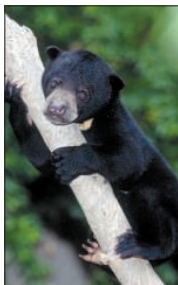
Sheriff's Lt. Paul Sommer told the Star Tribune that DNA tests showed two of the infants were Herzog's. Tests on the third baby were inconclusive, but Sommer said investigators believe that child was also Herzog's.

The coroner's statement said there was a family history of hemolytic disease of the newborn, which can cause infant death.

## Whale sanctuary opened

**HI** KAILUA-KONA — State and federal officials opened a Kona office for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary on Thursday.

U.S. Rep. Ed Case, D-Hawaii, and Daniel Basta, director of the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Sanctuary were on hand for the opening.



## Bear hug

A rare Bornean sun bear cub practices his climbing skills at the San Diego Zoo. Six-month-old Damm is the first-ever of his species to be born in North America. Bornean sun bears are a subspecies of the Malaysian sun bear, found in Southeast Asia and are the smallest member of the bear family.

"This little office is more than it seems to be. It's about community investment," Basta said. "The key is education and awareness. If you teach the public, you can trust them to do the right thing."

Case said the opening of the Kona office is part of a larger conservation and preservation effort.

Recent studies have concluded the world's oceans are in trouble and lawmakers must make funding for natural resources a higher priority, he said.

## Candy bar arrest

**DC** WASHINGTON — Stephanie Willett found out the hard way that Metro takes its no eating and drinking policy in subway stations seriously.

The scientist for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said Metro Transit Police unfairly handcuffed, searched and held her for three hours after she had finished chewing a candy bar at a station on July 16.

Willett, 45, of Bowie, Md., said an officer saw her eating a PayDay on her way down an escalator and warned her to finish it before entering the station. Willett and police agree that she nodded and stuffed the last bit into her mouth before throwing the wrapper into a trash can.

But Willett says the officer followed her back into the station and she was arrested after making a remark.

The officer asked for identification, but Willett and police said she kept walking. She said she was then frisked and handcuffed.

Metro's police force has been ridiculed for what some say is extreme enforcement of its no-eating rules.

## Arrest in naked burglary

**TX** SAN ANTONIO — A man accused of breaking into a woman's home wearing nothing but running shoes and a fanny pack has been charged with burglary.

Miguel Ramos, 23, was arrested Friday and charged with burglary of a habitat with intent to assault. He faces five to 99 years in prison on a \$10,000 fine if convicted.

Police say the suspect entered the woman's home through a back window on July 20, pointed a gun at her and told her to remove her clothes. She screamed and he fled after firing two shots from a 40-caliber handgun. No one was hurt.

The suspect stole the woman's wallet and used one of her credit cards at an automated teller machine, where a video camera recorded the transaction, police said.

Ramos already faced trial on the same charge in another case, plus aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

## School mulls natural fuel

**VT** GUILFORD — The Guilford Central School is considering switching to a fuel made from recycled plant oil for its bus fleet, officials say. School board member Carol Levin says biodiesel fuel would cost the district about \$500 more per year than regular diesel. Over time, she said the switch could save money because biodiesel fuel may yield better mileage.



## Bobbing for bubbles

Sierra Russell, 6, of Canandaigua, N.Y., chases bubbles at the Neshoba County Fair in Philadelphia, Miss., on Thursday. Since the midweek activities at the fair highlight political speeches from candidates for local, statewide and federal office, Russell was more interested in trying to catch a bubble.



## Crowding for Clinton

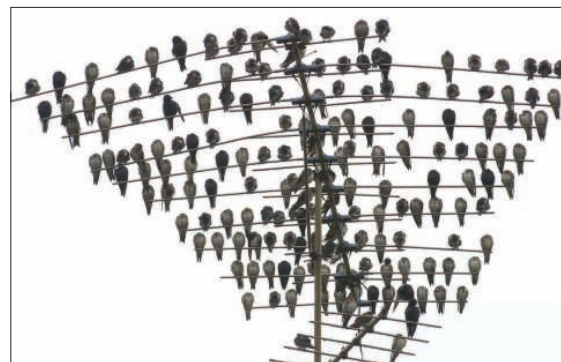
People wait in line outside a bookstore in Blytheville, Ark., on Thursday to have former President Clinton sign his book "My Life." Clinton signed about one thousand books for customers who lined Main Street in the hot summer sun. Police barricaded the road in front of the book store early in the morning.



## Little friend

Logan Darland, 9, of Harrodsburg, Ky., checks out "Spike," a Hickory Horned Devil caterpillar. Darland found Spike in the front yard of his house Thursday. The caterpillar is the larva of the Royal Walnut Moth, also known as the Regal Moth.





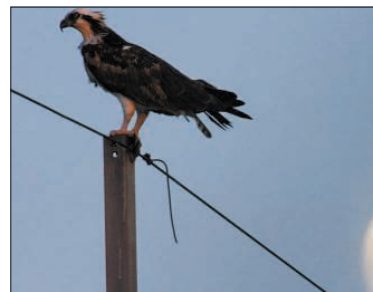
**Birds of a feather** Purple martins perch on an antenna Friday in Sedalia, Mo. For the past four or five years, purple martins have been congregating in the area, staying a couple of weeks before migrating south to Brazil.



**Up and away** Willie Andrews, right, gives Keenon Tart, 7, left, a watery toss in the Atlanta Parks Department Piedmont Park pool in Atlanta.



**Uncle Sam fan** Delegate Joe Blanton, 76, from Scottsburg, Ore., listens during the Democratic National Convention at the FleetCenter in Boston on Thursday.



**Bird's eye view** An osprey perches on a power pole as a nearly full moon rises in the sky over New Smyrna Beach in Florida.

## Strikers' grave mistake

**MINN.** ST. PAUL — Some grieving families think the Teamsters Local 120 is making a grave mistake.

The union is picketing cemeteries, including when funeral services are in progress, in its strike on the Twin Cities' biggest maker of burial vaults.

Brown-Wilbert Inc. employs about 25 Teamsters, many of whom make burial vaults at a plant in Roseville. But some also deliver and install the vaults at local cemeteries. Since the strike started, Brown-Wilbert managers have been doing that graveside work.

## Bunny blast botched

**CA.** CASTRO VALLEY — Lucky the bunny is living up to her name.

It had seemed like luck had run out: Strapped to a powerful explosive with a lit fuse, Lucky was tossed into a lake.

But the explosive didn't blow up, and the rabbit was pulled out of the water.

Nick Sigmon, 18, and Paul Collins, 20, are accused of taping an illegal M-1000 — a large firecracker equivalent to a quarter stick of dynamite — to the rabbit and throwing her into Lake Don Castro.

Sigmon said he adopted the bunny after almost running over her with his car, but can no longer care for her because he's starting college this fall at University of California, San Diego, where he plans to study biology.

Lucky is recovering at a foster owner's home, where she's snacking hay pellets and doing well.

## Foul smell sniffed out

**IN.** LAFAYETTE — Those in charge of blind justice have been holding their noses at the Tippecanoe County Courthouse.

The source of a foul odor that has been lingering in a Superior Court office for a couple weeks might have been found Wednesday when health department workers discovered a large, dead squirrel stuck in the office's duct work.

Attorney Dan Moore said the odor was overpowering.

"It prevents you from taking a deep breath," he said.

## Man fends off alligator

**FL.** TAVARES — An 11-foot alligator attacked a man pulling weeds along the shore of a lake, but he saved himself by punching the beast in the nose.

Guy R. Daelemans, 43, suffered leg wounds in Tuesday's attack on Lake Eustis, Lake County sheriff's Lt. Todd Luce said. He was treated and released from a hospital.

A trapper summoned by wildlife officials later caught the 385-pound alligator, which was then killed.

## Malpractice suit settled

**ME.** PORTLAND — A jury has awarded a woman \$900,000 in damages after she sued surgeons that botched a sur-

gery on a non-cancerous but painful breast condition five years ago and left her disfigured.

Deanna Vincent sued surgeons Melinda Molin and John Costera in Cumberland County Superior Court after they mistakenly removed her nipples during the operation.

The award handed down Thursday was less than the \$3.1 million Vincent sought, but it was substantial compensation for suffering, said Daniel G. Lilley her attorney.

Vincent needed six additional reconstructive operations, and is permanently scarred. She has been treated for depression and post-traumatic stress.

## Salmonella outbreak

**PA.** PITTSBURGH — State health officials have identified a second strain of salmonella bacteria linked to at least one person sickened by eating at a Sheetz convenience store.

Some 295 Pennsylvanians have been sickened by a strain of bacteria known as Anatum — in an unopened bag of tomatoes at a Franklin County Sheetz store. Health officials dismissed the discovery because none of the known victims then was sickened by that strain.

Since then, three people have become ill with the Anatum strain, including one who ate at that store, said Richard McGarvey, state health department spokesman. Investigators are trying to determine whether the other two also ate there, McGarvey said.

"What we believe was the source of the outbreak — the tomatoes — have all been pulled" from Sheetz stores, McGarvey said.

## Inmate swim knocked

**ME.** CAMDEN — Letting a crew of four inmate laborers working at a state park take a swim after work has landed the work-release program in hot water.

The crew has been suspended and the program could be in jeopardy after park manager Bill Elliot let four inmates swim in Lake Chickawaukie in Rockland.

For more than 20 years, Elliot has used minimum-security prisoners for work around Peaks-Kenny State Park on Sebec Lake and at Camden Hills State Park. He estimates he has supervised 8,000 hours of prison labor without a problem.

But on the afternoon of July 21, Elliot and a sergeant from the prison were driving the inmates back to the Warren lockup when they stopped along Route 17 to let the inmates have a quick swim.

While the swim was brief, some feed it mingled inmates with the general public. Corrections officials said the public wasn't at risk, but the incident could prove to be a public relations problem for the restitution program, which allows minimum-security prisoners nearing release to work outside the prison.

# Horoscope

The wise Pisces moon gives a moody glow to this high-energy, unpredictable day — when surprising events happen, it's as if they're occurring in a mystical fog that makes them all the more dramatic. The Leo sun seems to design the picturesque scenarios so they'll fit nicely into the storytelling session that goes on tonight.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS (August 2).** You're primed for action this year, and you get plenty of that, especially in the next seven weeks. Your career is taking off. Singles make a romantic commitment in September. Scorpio and Cancer are good matches. See different parts of the world in October. Appreciation and acclaim in November are followed by a financial bump up.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** There's a discrepancy between the way you see yourself and the way the rest of the world sees you. You'll be trying to close the gap by getting more objective, more realistic and less concerned about what people think.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** As much as you'd like to go blithely ahead, doubts creep in. You can be assured that everybody has them. If you articulate your worries specifically, you'll be able to create clear-cut remedies to oppose your fear.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You'll be uniting with friends in a way that brings you financial gain. Work tip: Find out everything that is expected of you. You'll feel confident about your ability to the job because you know what is, and what is not, expected of you.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** If energy is on the low side, it's probably because you're getting worn by the characteristics of the modern workplace. Working in a dimly lit office or performing the same task over and over again will finally get on your nerves.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** That reward system you used to create for yourself has been neglected too

long — it's time to reinstate it. Having too few rewards in your life has been cited as a cause for depression. Spolling yourself isn't such a bad idea after all.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Feelings of being overwhelmed are part of the adventure, but you can beat them. Build your confidence, bit by bit. Your problems can't be solved in a day — break them into smaller steps, ones that you can easily succeed at.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You've got the courage to act in spite of your fears. But try to relax. Chances are, you're making more of this in your mind. Love relationships provide a naive thrill — you'll feel like you did back in grade school.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Taking love to the next level is the main idea, as the stars stir up a need for more intimate connections.

Competition only serves to rev your engine! "Bring it on!" you'll say, even though your insides shake like jelly. Good for you.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** You're striving for an elusive idea today, but you'll get further by not striving. What's missing is a sense of playfulness and fun. Without that, your efforts become draining and meaningless.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** It's satisfying to take steps, however small, toward accomplishing dreams but surprisingly unfulfilling to talk about it too much. Keep things close to the vest, and let the tension build.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You exude joviality and go about your day interacting with others a polite and cooperative mood. For this reason, you'll be chosen to receive a shocking privilege. Tonight, zero in on someone you like a great deal.

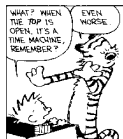
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** You attract classy people and possessions because you show the world you know how to take care of what is yours. Others also gift you with gems of wisdom, but you only believe what your own experience dictates.

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Calvin and Hobbes



Jump Start



Zits



Cathy



Hi and Lois



Beetle Bailey



Red and Rover



Better or Worse



## Peanuts



## Foxtrot



## Eugene Sheffer Crossword

### Across

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### Answer to Previous Puzzle

8-2 CRYPTOUIP

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**Saturday's Cryptoquip:** I IMAGINE A REALLY GOOD-LOOKING BARBARIAN GUY MIGHT BE NAMED ATTLA THE HUNK.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Q equals L

# Ex-con dad's ways upset family

## Dear Abby:

My dad went to prison in 1989 and was released last November. My sister and I were excited that Dad was coming home, but it has been a nightmare. He is manipulative, whiny and endlessly needy.

He moved in with my sister and she's going crazy. She asked me to take him, but after my husband saw the way Dad behaves, he flat out refused to have him in our home. I agree with him.

Dad keeps making excuses about why he can't live on his own. He claims he doesn't have the money, but then he goes out and buys all kinds of things for himself. He refuses to accept responsibility for his actions and insists that things are everybody else's fault.

My sister feels too guilty to kick him out, and I am at the end

of my rope. Dad won't go to counseling because he thinks he doesn't need it. Is this a case for tough love?

—Needs to Know in Washington

**Dear Needs:** The person who could benefit from counseling is your sister. Until she can emotionally distance herself from Dad, she will continue to be manipulated by his stance as a perpetual victim and his guilt trips. Once your sister has established boundar-ies, setting a date for Dad to be out of her home and insisting upon it are excellent ideas.

## Dear Abby



## Dear Abby:

After reading the letter from "Pussyfooting in Nebraska," who gets too many jokes and other e-mails from her mother, I thought I'd offer up my solution.

Most of my e-mails go to my

office account. However, I have set up a separate e-mail account specifically for my mother through a free service. Mother sends her e-mails to that account, and that's all that goes into it. Of course, it eventually gets filled up with jokes, etc., and whenever I get a chance (every month or so, or when she lets me know that it is full), I check it, and read and delete all of her e-mails.

I hope this is helpful for "Pussyfooting."

—Faithful Reader in L.A.

**Dear Faithful:** That sounds like quite a project! However, for someone who doesn't want personal e-mails commingled with business correspondence, your solution may be just the ticket. Thank you for the suggestion.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69404, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at <http://www.uepress.com/dearabby>. Universal Press Syndicate

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

PEXLE

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Ans: "       "       (Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: FORUM AHEAD SQUALL GUITAR Answer: When the female impersonator prepared for the show, it was — QUITE A DRAG

## THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argiron



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

# Life too easy for full-grown son

## Dear Annie:

Our 20-year-old son, "Patrick," lives at home. He has a full-time job that grosses \$25,000 a year. His only monthly expenses are \$146 for his car, \$100 for insurance and \$50 for his computer. Yet he has only \$1,400 in his bank account. He blows the rest of his income on gas, fast food, tattoos, beer, entertainment and his cell phone.

Patrick pays nothing for room and board. His girlfriend does his laundry and cleans his bedroom, which is the largest room in the house (it used to be our garage), and he has a private bath. Patrick does nothing to help out with chores. He also has a fish, a ferret, and a dog that is constantly getting out of the fenced backyard and into our living room.

Patrick expects us to pay for any repairs in his room, such as plumbing or painting, and to buy

## Annie's Mailbox



his clothes. He has no plans to marry or move out in the near future. Annie, we love our son, and he is a nice person, but we wonder if we're making it too easy. What do other families charge their grown children who live at home?

—Wondering Parents

**Dear Wondering:** Of course you are making it too easy, which takes away Patrick's incentive to be more independent. But you already know that.

Here's the rule: Patrick should pay one-quarter of his gross monthly income for rent, which means he should be giving you roughly \$500 a month. Even with the additional \$296 he pays for his car, insurance and computer, it's still a bargain, especially if you are feeding him. It's time to let him know.

**Dear Annie:** Recently, my sister passed away. This was a

sad time for us, but I became even more upset after the funeral service, when I noticed many people plucking the roses out of the casket piece. This is the rudest thing I have ever seen. My family paid nearly \$300 for this beautiful arrangement.

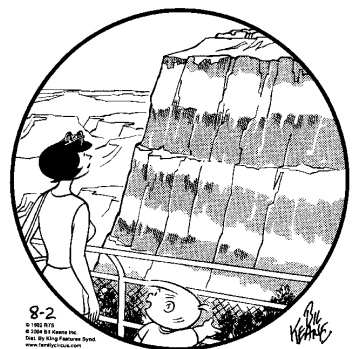
Please let your readers know that those flowers were bought by someone else and are meant to stay at the gravesite.

—You Know Who You Are in Ole Miss

**Dear Miss:** Flowers should not be removed from the casket unless the family has given permission to take them. It might help you get over this breach by considering that the funeral guests may have wanted a memento because your sister meant so much to them. Our condolences.

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## Family Circus



"Reminds me of that rainbow layer cake you made for my birthday."



## Dennis the Menace



## The Far Side



## Non Sequitur







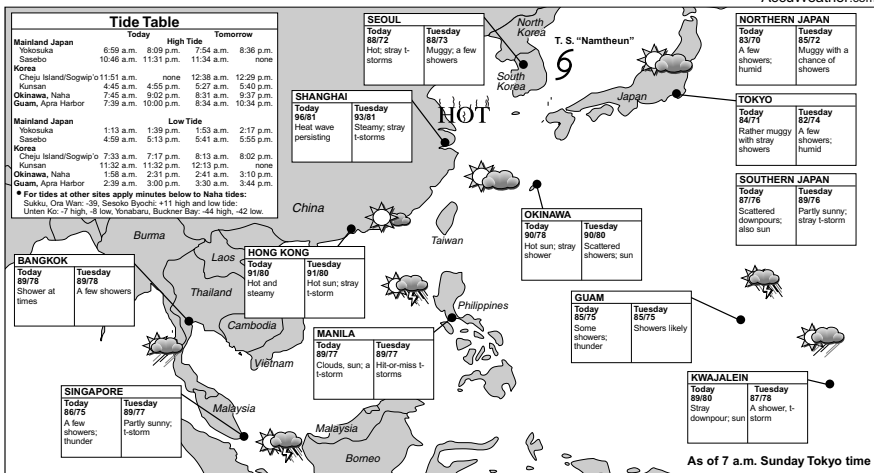




## The Pacific Forecast

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### Extended Forecasts

## TOKYO

Wednesday: Showers, high 87, low 77.  
Thursday: Partly sunny, high 89, low 78.

**KADENA**

Wednesday: Showers,  
high 90, low 82.  
Thursday: Showers,  
high 92, low 82.

**SEOUL**

Wednesday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 90, low 73.  
Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 87, low 71.

MANILA

Wednesday: Thunderstorms, high 89, low 77.  
Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 89, low 77.

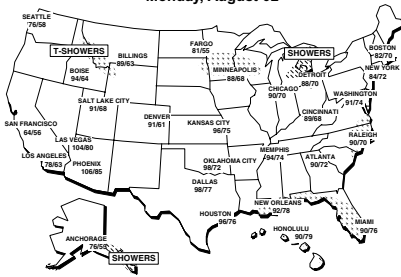
## HAGATNA

Wednesday: Showers,  
high 87, low 75.  
Thursday: Showers,  
high 87, low 77.

### Saturday's USA Temperatures

PLAY	HIGHLOW	CITY	HIGHLOW
Albuquerque	94/69	Los Angeles	82/63
Amarillo	94/67	Little Rock	90/71
Anchorage	70/54	Louisville	95/69
Annapolis	95/68	Madison	92/66
Baltimore	88/73	Milwaukee	81/64
Birmingham	91/73	Nashville	88/69
Bismarck	90/60	New York	87/74
Boston	92/82	Omaha	90/76
Boston	92/82	Orlando	90/75
Brownsville	91/76	Philadelphia	90/74
Buffalo	87/64	Phoenix	109/87
Burlington	95/79	Pittsburgh	93/79
Charleston, S.C.	88/69	Portland, O.R.	84/70
Charlotte	91/74	Portland, ME	82/59
Chattanooga	91/74	Portland, Me.	96/76
Columbus, O.H.	83/65	St. Louis	88/71
Duluth	75/57	San Antonio	95/77
El Paso	96/71	San Diego	72/66
El Paso	96/71	San Juan	92/76
Helena	93/60	Tampa	90/74
Indianapolis	82/65	Tulsa	94/69
Indianapolis	82/65	Washington	93/71
Kansas City	90/70	Wichita	93/61

**Monday, August 02**



### U.S. Extended Forecast

A weak storm moving through the Great Lakes Monday will help trigger a few showers and perhaps a thunderstorm. Coastal areas of the Southeast and mid-Atlantic could have numerous showers and thunderstorms as a tropical disturbance drifts northward along the coast. A stray shower or thunderstorm will develop across the Rockies, especially the north. Tuesday, showers will move onshore across the Northwest as a storm system approaches the coast. A weak storm system passing through the Midwest Wednesday will trigger a few showers and thunderstorms in the Dakotas, Minnesota and Wisconsin. A few showers and perhaps a thunderstorm will develop late in the day across the Northeast as an upper-level trough pushes through.

### Monday's Pacific Temperatures

HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
89/78	Iwakuni	83/74	Sasebo NB	87/75
84/71	Kadena AB	93/78	Sapporo	89/70
88/73	Kunimi AB	86/75	Saeki	88/72
42/27	Kwajalein	89/80	Shanghai	96/81
83/74	Manila	89/77	Singapore	86/75
85/75	Misawa AB	85/71	Sydney	68/46
88/77	Osan	91/74	Taegu	90/75
91/80	Perth	56/41	Taipei	90/74
90/79	Pusan	87/75	Tokyo	84/71

### Monday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGHLOW	CITY	HIGHLOW	CITY	HIGHLOW
Acapulco	90/77	Budapest	80/53	Kabul	88/51
Athens	87/70	Buenos Aires	68/46	Kiev	80/59
Auckland	50/41	Cairo	97/88	Kuwait	117/85
Baghdad	116/78	Cancun	87/73	London	80/65
Bahia	72/60	Cape Town	75/64	Manila	81/65
Barcelona	83/69	Geneva	84/72	Mexico City	81/55
Berlin	75/56	Istanbul	80/64	Montreal	79/67
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# Dodge driver Mears wins pole at Pocono

The Associated Press

LONG POND, Pa. — Casey Mears already knows what it's like to win at Pocono Raceway, even if it was only two ARCA races. One year and a couple of levels later, Mears has put himself in a perfect situation to duplicate his success at the track.

Mears, driving a Dodge for Target Chip Ganassi Racing, turned a lap of 171.70 mph Friday for his first career pole in 56 tries. He topped the fourth-place start he earned last year in Chicago. Mears does have seven top 10 finishes this year, but none better than seventh.

## Racing roundup

"This team is really going to the next level," Mears said.

"We've been seventh, seventh, seventh. We need to crack that top five. If we can crack that top five, we can win races."

A light drizzle and heavy fog shortened practice to an hour and delayed qualifying for the Pennsylvania 500. But it didn't bother Mears, nephew of four-time Indianapolis 500 winner Rick Mears.

Instead, Mears went out and fulfilled some of the promise he's shown in flashes this season. It seemed only fitting it happened at Pocono.

Mears struggled for most of his rookie season until Ganassi entered him last year in both ARCA races at Pocono and he won both for his first stock-car victories. The races were on consecutive nights because one of the track in June was postponed by rain.

Then, Mears completed the 90-mile Pocono triple with a 35th-place finish in the Pennsylvania 500.

"It was pretty apparent by the end of last year we needed to pick it up," Mears said. "If we didn't pick it up, I don't think I'd be around by the middle of this year."

The Pocono marathon might have been the turning point for Mears, who starts Sunday's race 17th in NASCAR Nextel Cup points. Mears started 21st and finished 10th in the Pocono 500 on the same track seven weeks ago.

"When we come here, I feel like I'm at home a little bit," he said. "For some reason, some tracks just come to drivers, and I've adapted well to this track for some reason."

Joe Nemechek, who posted the best practice time, was second in a Chevrolet at 171.654 and Kurt Busch third in a Ford at 171.540.

**Kvapil wins Michigan track race**  
BROOKLYN, Mich. — Travis Kvapil moved into the lead with 17 laps remaining and held on for his first NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series victory this season at Michigan International Speedway on Saturday.

Kvapil finished ahead of Ted Musgrave in the Line-X Spray-On Truck Bedliners 200, surging into the lead with a caution in the 100-lap race and holding off several challengers.

Cars stacked up three and four

## Pennsylvania 500 lineup

NASCAR Nextel Cup  
After Friday's qualifying race Sunday  
at Pocono Raceway  
Long Pond, Pa.  
Lap Length: 2.5 miles  
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (41) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 171.700 mph.
2. (01) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 171.654 mph.
3. (07) Kurt Busch, Ford, 171.540 mph.
4. (40) Sterling Marlin, Dodge, 171.256 mph.
5. (36) Elliott Sadtler, Ford, 171.168 mph.
6. (25) Brian Vickers, Chevrolet, 171.008 mph.
7. (42) Jamie McMurray, Dodge, 170.992 mph.
8. (20) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 170.784 mph.
9. (15) Jeremy Mayfield, Dodge, 170.775 mph.
10. (77) Brendan Gaughan, Dodge, 170.652 mph.
11. (15) Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 170.623 mph.
12. (02) Rusty Wallace, Dodge, 170.623 mph.
13. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 170.522 mph.
14. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 170.467 mph.
15. (17) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 170.380 mph.
16. (04) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 170.197 mph.
17. (18) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 170.021 mph.
18. (25) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 169.690 mph.
19. (15) Greg Biffle, Ford, 169.603 mph.
20. (29) Casey Kahne, Dodge, 169.546 mph.
21. (6) Mark Martin, Ford, 169.543 mph.
22. (31) Robby Gordon, Chevrolet, 169.431 mph.
23. (09) Jeff Burton, Ford, 169.275 mph.
24. (36) Dale Jarrett, Dodge, 169.259 mph.
25. (45) Kyle Petty, Dodge, 169.182 mph.
26. (10) Scott Riggs, Chevrolet, 169.068 mph.
27. (0) Ward Burton, Chevrolet, 169.036 mph.
28. (22) Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 168.634 mph.
29. (5) Terry Labonte, Chevrolet, 168.416 mph.
30. (12) Ryan Newman, Dodge, 168.290 mph.
31. (30) Dave Blaney, Chevrolet, 167.939 mph.
32. (42) Greg Green, Dodge, 167.904 mph.
33. (21) Ricky Rudd, Ford, 167.576 mph.
34. (15) Greg Biffle, Ford, 167.559 mph.
35. (32) Jimmy Spencer, Chevrolet, 167.559 mph.
36. (14) Jimmy Spencer, Chevrolet, 167.559 mph.
37. (08) Todd Bodine, Ford, 166.488 mph.
38. (13) Greg Sacks, Dodge, 165.990 mph.
39. (49) Ken Schrader, Dodge, provisional.
40. (09) Morgan Shepherd, Dodge, provisional.
41. (72) Kirk Sheldermire, Dodge, provisional.
42. (02) Jason Jarrett, Chevrolet, provisional.
43. (00) Carl Long, Ford, provisional.
44. (51) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 165.159 mph.
45. (36) Andy Hillenburg, Dodge, 165.150 mph.
46. (90) A.J. Hendrickson, Ford, 159.247 mph.

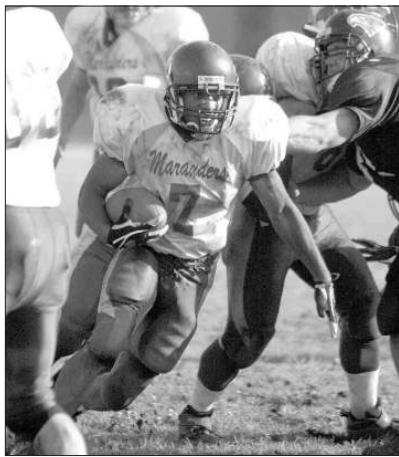
wide on the two-mile oval as drivers fought for position. The race ended under caution after an accident occurred behind Kvapil as he began his final lap.

The victory capped a wild weekend for Kvapil, who started 30th in the 34-car field, because he was forced to change the engine on his Toyota after practice late Friday.

"We really had to work on the track to get it there," said Kvapil, who gave Toyota its first NASCAR truck series victory. "The last 20 laps of the race were the fastest the truck had been all weekend. We made some great adjustments."

Kvapil was the ninth winner in 13 years this year on the NASCAR truck circuit; the victory was the fourth of his career. Mike Skinner finished third, Johnny Benson fourth and Bobby Hamilton fifth.

There were seven cautions for 22 laps, dropping Kvapil's average speed to 125.479 mph.



Misawa Marauders running back James Coleman (7) finds daylight during Saturday's U.S. Forces Japan-American Football League game at Ikego Heights Naval Housing Facility, Japan. Coleman ran 19 times for 106 yards in a losing cause as the Marauders fell 18-12 in four overtimes to the four-time defending champion Yokosuka Seahawks.

JIM SCHULZ/Stars and Stripes

# Trisby, Seahawks shake off Marauders in 40T contest

Stars and Stripes

Coach Isaac Lee refers to Robert Trisby as a secret weapon in the Yokosuka Seahawks' arsenal. The 6-foot-3, 220-pound wide receiver showed why Saturday in a U.S. Forces Japan-American Football League battle.

Trisby snagged two touchdown catches, the second coming on the Seahawks' fourth overtime series, leading four-time defending champion Yokosuka past the Misawa Marauders 18-12 and avenging a 27-6 loss two weeks earlier.

The outcome left both teams tied for second place at 2-2, two games behind the unbeaten first-place Yokota Raiders, who have caught the ice as Johnson sneaked in as many weeks, beating the winless White Dolphins 43-0.

## Yokosuka 18, Misawa 12 (40T)

IKEGO HEIGHTS NAVAL HOUSING FACILITY, Japan — "He's an automatic mismatch. They pretty much double-team him every time down, but he still poses so many problems for a defense," Lee said of Trisby, who has caught a league-leading five touchdowns passes.

Trisby's first TD caught came a bit of controversy. The 6-yard pass from third-string quarterback A.J. Johnson midway through the second quarter appeared to hit the ground as Trisby reached for it.

Misawa coach John Hemphill called a timeout and protested to the officials, who let the catch stand.

"He got a bad deal, there," Hemphill said.

The game-winner came on second-and-11 from the Misawa 16-yard line in the fourth over-

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Saturday's games  
Yokosuka 18, Misawa 12, 40T  
Yokota 43, Atsugi 0

Saturday, Aug. 7  
Yokota at Misawa, 2 p.m.  
Yokosuka at Atsugi, 4 p.m.

## USFI-AFL roundup

game and the one on July 17 at Misawa, Lee said.

The Marauders, despite getting 106 yards on 19 carries from league-leading rusher James Coleman, had their hands full with the Seahawks' defense, Hemphill said.

"They [Seahawks] did their homework," Hemphill said. "They did some things on defense that we hadn't seen before, and that caused some disruption in our offense."

Misawa next hosts Yokota on Saturday. A Raiders victory seals the regular-season championship, the Marauders need to beat Yokota by more than 13 points to have a hope of earning the top seed in the league playoffs.

"Things get a little more interesting now," Hemphill said.

## Yokota 43, Atsugi 0

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Xavier Reyes ran 39 yards for a score, tossed a 43-yard tailback pass to Willie Fountain for another and caught a 20-yard TD pass from Jack Dowdell as Yokota swept the season series from Atsugi by an overall score of 95-0.

Fountain also caught a 25-yard touchdown pass from Bruce Turner. A.J. Foster ran 2 yards for a score and Dowdell hit Phillip Rush from 23 yards out.

A.J. Johnson and Andre Thomas each recorded defensive safeties. Anthony Thomas and Jerrick Nunn each had six tackles for Yokota.

The undermanned White Dolphins, with just 15 players, suffered their fourth straight loss by a combined 181-0 margin.

# Brown's strong return a positive for Yanks

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — For weeks, the New York Yankees have been waiting to learn about the health of several star players.

They began to get some answers Friday night.

Kevin Brown came off the disabled list and gave the Yankees a big boost in his first start in more than seven weeks, pitching New York to a 2-1 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

"It was great to be back on the mound," said Brown, sidelined since June 10 with lower back spasms and an intestinal parasite. "When you go out there, you realize how much you miss it. Sitting around and waiting was tough."

After the game, the Yankees announced that All-Star slugger Jason Giambi was diagnosed with a benign tumor and is expected to return to the team later this season after undergoing treatment.

Giambi has felt weak for months and was anxious to find out why. He was placed on the 15-day disabled list and will be treated immediately. The team, citing privacy issues, declined to divulge the location of the tumor or the type of treatment.

Yankees manager Joe Torre

## Vazquez, A-Rod subdue O's in the Bronx

BY MIKE FITZPATRICK

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez stole home and hit a long homer, Gary Sheffield also homered and the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles 6-4 on Saturday.

Javier Vazquez lasted only 5 1/3 innings on a humid afternoon, but that was enough to improve to 9-2 in his past 14 starts. He got plenty of help from the bullpen as four pitchers combined for scoreless relief.

New York has won 10 of 12 meetings against the Orioles this season, and 17 of 22. Jerry Hairston homered for Baltimore.

Sheffield hit his 402nd homer and drove in two runs, and Rodriguez finished with three hits and a couple of fine plays at third base. He stole home on

a double steal in the fourth, helping the Yankees win for the eighth time in nine home games.

Scott Proctor relieved Vazquez (12-6) and escaped a jam in the sixth. Paul Quantrill pitched a perfect seventh, Tom Gordon worked a one-hit eighth and Mariano Rivera got three outs for his major league-leading 37th save in 40 chances.

Rivera's 320th save tied him with Roberto Hernandez for ninth place on the career list.

Hairston, making his first career start in center field, hit his second home run of the season in the third inning.

Vazquez allowed four runs and four hits, improving to 3-0 against Baltimore this season.

Orioles starter Erik Bedard (4-6) lost for the fourth time in five starts.

Baltimore shortstop Miguel Tejada drove in his 95th run of the season.

said he didn't believe surgery would be necessary. There is no timetable yet for Giambi's return.

Alex Rodriguez homered and drove in two runs for New York.

On the night before baseball's trade deadline — with speculation swirling about whether the Yankees will be able to strike a deal with Arizona for Randy Johnson — Brown (8-1) was impressive. He allowed one run and four hits in 6 1/3 innings, striking out five and walking two.

"For someone who missed two months in the season, he gave us

everything we needed," Torre said. "He got loose quickly, and that was a good sign."

Especially considering that fellow starter Mike Mussina is still out because of a stiff elbow.

Tom Gordon struck out the side in the eighth inning and Mariano Rivera got three outs for his major league-leading 36th save.

Daniel Cabrera (8-5) took the loss for the Orioles, who scored on a homer by B.J. Surhoff.

**Red Sox 8, Twins 2:** Bronson Arroyo pitched seven-plus innings, Gabe Kapler drove in

three runs and visiting Boston ended the Twins' four-game winning streak.

Arroyo (4-7) allowed two runs and struck out eight in his first start since last week's brawl at Fenway Park with the Yankees. The fight started after Arroyo hit Rodriguez with a pitch and led to six players being suspended and/or fined.

**Tigers 5, White Sox 4:** Bobby Higginson drove a tiebreaking walk from Damaso Marte (4-4) with the bases loaded and two outs in the eighth inning, sending

visiting Chicago to its sixth straight loss. Dmitri Young hit a two-run homer for the Tigers.

**Blue Jays 3, Devil Rays 0:** Josh Towers (6-3) won his fourth straight start for host Tampa with seven innings of two-hit ball, and Josh Phelps homered twice.

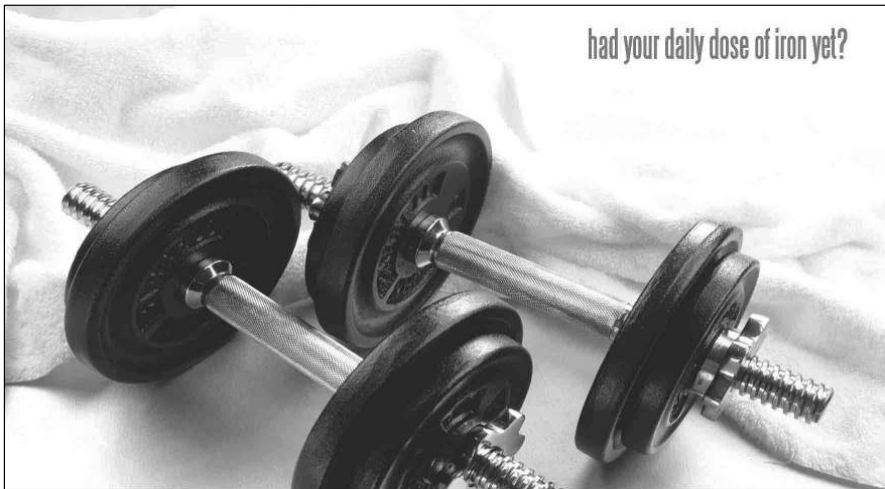
**Rangers 7, Athletics 5:** Laynce Nix and Michael Young hit consecutive two-run singles with two outs in the eighth and the host Rangers rallied from an early four-run deficit to reclaim first place in the AL West.

Oakland starter Rich Harden held the Rangers hitless until the fourth and left after six with a 4-2 lead. The bullpen failed, and Chad Bradford (5-5) took the loss.

Frankie Francisco (2-1) pitched a hitless eighth for the win, ending a six-game winning streak for the A's. Francisco Cordero got his 31st save for Texas, which had lost three straight and five of six.

**Angels 6, Mariners 5:** Bengie Molina hit a two-run, go-ahead single with two outs in the eighth inning, and the host Angels got homers from Robb Quinlan and Jose Guillen.

**Indians 7, Royals 6 (11):** Omar Vizquel led off the 11th with a triple against Scott Sullivan (3-4) and scored on Matt Lawton's sacrifice fly for visiting Cleveland.



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Houston Astros base runner Lance Berkman steals second in the 13th inning Saturday against Cincinnati in a game continued after being suspended Friday following three rain delays. Cincinnati won 3-2 in the 13th.

# Extra extra innings

After two days, four rain delays and 13 innings, Cincinnati finally ends eight-game losing streak

The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Josh Hancock, who wasn't even on the Reds' roster when the game officially started, got the victory after Jason LaRue's run-scoring double in the 13th inning Saturday gave Cincinnati a slump-busting 3-2 victory over Houston in a game suspended because of rain. LaRue's only hit in six at-bats during the lengthy game — four rain delays, an overnight suspension — ended an eight-game losing streak that was Cincinnati's longest in a year.

Hancock (1-1) was acquired from Philadelphia for reliever Todd Jones overnight and was put right to work by the Reds, walking two batters in the 13th before finishing the inning.

The Astros got only one hit after the game resumed in the top of the sixth Saturday with two outs and the score 2-2. The Reds managed only one hit until the 13th.

Another cloudburst made exacerbated play umpire Tim Welke wave for the tarp again in the top of the 11th, the game's fourth delay overall. The game finally ended just shy of 20 hours after Aaron Harang opened it Friday night with a fastball for a called strike.

**Astros 8, Reds 0:** In Saturday's scheduled game, played immediately after the suspended game was completed, Carlos Beltran and Mike Lamb hit ninth-inning homers for Houston.

Beltran had a three-run homer and Lamb added a two-run shot off Gabe White.

Left-hander Andy Pettitte was scratched from the second game start because of a sore elbow, which also forced him out of his last start. Darren Oliver (3-3), acquired from Florida on July 22, made his first start for the Astros and allowed only Adam Dunn's single in five innings.

## NL Roundup

**Phillies 4, Cubs 3:** Mike Lieberthal and Bobby Abreu each hit two-run homers following Chicago errors and visiting Philadelphia ended a five-game losing skid.

Kevin Millwood (9-6) pitched 6½ innings, retiring 10 of the last 11 batters he faced. He allowed three runs — two earned — and three hits while striking out eight and walking three.

Tim Worrell pitched the ninth for his 11th save in 15 chances.

In Friday's NL games:

**Rockies 4, Diamondbacks 1:** Randy Johnson allowed four runs and struck out six in another frustrating outing for visiting Arizona. Jason Jennings (10-8) allowed one run in seven innings and Matt Holliday hit a two-run triple in the Rockies' four-run seventh inning off Johnson (10-9).

Johnson was pulled for a pinch-hitter in the eighth after allowing six hits and no walks. Colorado beat Arizona 3-2 last Sunday after the Diamondbacks' bullpen wasted a dominating performance by Johnson, who had 14 strikeouts in eight scoreless innings.

**Cubs 10, Phillies 7:** Aramis Ramirez hit three home runs, and the host Cubs rallied to send slumping Philadelphia to its fifth straight loss. Ramirez hit solo homers off Eric Milton in the second and sixth and another off Roberto Hernandez in the seventh.

The Phillies blew a 6-3 lead after Bobby Abreu and Pat Burrell hit two homers each off Mark Prior.

The Cubs put together seven hits in a five-run third inning. LaRoy Hawkins got his 15th save.

**Dodgers 12, Padres 3:** Milton Bradley homered twice and Jeff Weaver (8-10) pitched eight innings of four-hit ball to help Los Angeles take a 3½-game lead over the host Padres in the NL West.

Bradley also robbed Phil Nevin of a two-run homer in the third when he made a backhanded grab over the fence.

Adam Eaton (6-9) allowed seven runs on nine hits in 3½ innings.

**Cardinals 7, Giants 4:** Barry Bonds hit his 68th homer, but Jim Edmonds had a two-run triple during visiting St. Louis' six-run sixth inning.

Chris Carpenter (11-4) pitched 6½ innings and won despite allowing three homers. Jason Isringhausen got his 27th save.

**Braves 3, Mets 1:** Marcus Giles had three hits and drove in the go-ahead run as host Atlanta handed New York its 12th loss in 17 games. Mike Hampton (7-8) pitched four-hit ball over seven innings and John Smoltz got his 24th save.

**Expos 9, Marlins 0:** Livan Hernandez pitched a three-hitter and Brad Wilkerson and Nick Johnson homered as visiting Montreal spoiled Josh Beckett's third return from the disabled list.

Beckett (4-6), out since July 6 because of torn skin on his right middle finger, lasted only three-plus innings, allowing four runs on six hits.

Hernandez (8-10) went 3-for-4 with a two-run double in the eighth.

**Brewers 5, Pirates 0:** Doug Davis allowed four hits in seven innings and Brady Clark hit a two-run double to lead host Milwaukee over Pittsburgh.

Davis (10-9) snapped his three-game losing streak with the help of two double plays.

# Man, 48, dies in fall at Brewers' stadium

The Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — A 48-year-old Madison, Wis., man died Friday from injuries when he fell 17 feet from an escalator at Miller Park on Thursday.

Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department spokesperson Kim Brooks said James A. Kolata fell Thursday while at the stadium for a game between the Milwaukee Brewers and Chicago Cubs.

The man was sitting on the escalator handrail while going from the field level to the second level when he fell, she said.

He was taken to Froedter Memorial Lutheran Hospital, where he died at about 5 p.m. Friday. An autopsy is planned for Saturday.

**Kapler says Red Sox must avoid more trouble**

MINNEAPOLIS — The Boston Red Sox plan to be on their best behavior from now on.

After their bench-clearing brawl with the New York Yankees' earned suspension for Jason Varitek, Gabe Kapler and Troy Nixon, the Red Sox face the prospect of being without four regulars for a crucial part of the season, pending David Ortiz's appeal of an earlier five-game suspension.

Not exactly the position the Red Sox want to be in while chasing the Yankees in the AL East. New York leads by 7½ games.

"I think that guys are just concerned that we all stay on the field as much as possible," Kapler said Friday. "We can't have guys that are vital to this team (who) have an opportunity to go and win the World Series not on the field. We can't have that."

**Halladay making progress**

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Toronto right-hander Roy Halladay is making progress in his rehabilitation program for shoulder fatigue and could rejoin the Blue Jays in early September.

Halladay, last season's AL Cy Young Award winner, went on the 15-day disabled list July 20. He is 7-7 with a 4.35 ERA.

## Briefs

"We feel like we're making progress," Halladay said. "For the most part, every day I feel like things are getting better."

Halladay is scheduled to resume throwing a week from Monday. He has been working out and undergoing treatment at Toronto's spring training facility in Dunedin, Fla.

**Mayor: Yanks must build stadium with private money**

NEW YORK — Given New York's precarious financial status, the New York Yankees shouldn't expect the city to kick in a lot of cash toward building a new stadium, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Friday.

"It's got to be done with private money," Bloomberg said. "We need a new Yankee Stadium. We need a new Shea Stadium. In fact, we need a new Madison Square Garden. Unfortunately, the city doesn't have a lot of money."

Bloomberg's comments came a day after Crain's New York Business reported that the Yankees wanted to build a \$750 million stadium across the street from the existing Yankee Stadium.

**Angels terminate Mondesi's contract**

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Anaheim Angels terminated Randy Mondesi's contract Friday after the enigmatic outfielder failed to show up for a rehabilitation appointment in Southern California.

Mondesi, 34, was placed on the disabled list because of a torn right quadriceps just 11 days after signing as a free agent with the injury-riddled Angels. The contract was to pay him \$1.75 million for the rest of the season.

Mondesi played eight games with Anaheim, going 4-for-34. Mondesi began this season with the Pittsburgh Pirates, who terminated his contract on May 19, 12 days after he left the Bucs to return to his native Dominican Republic and fight a lawsuit.

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# Garciaparra to Cubs as deadline deals fly

## D'backs keep Johnson, trade Finley to L.A.; Yanks swap Contreras for ChiSox's Loaiza

BY BEN WALKER  
The Associated Press

In the highlight of a dizzying flurry of deals, the Boston Red Sox sent star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra to the Chicago Cubs in a blockbuster, four-team swap right before Saturday's trade deadline.

Steve Finley, Esteban Loaiza and Orlando Roberts also switched teams in the eight trades that came less than an hour before the 4 p.m. EDT limit for making deals without waivers.

Randy Johnson, however, remained with the Arizona Diamondbacks.

The New York Yankees desperately wanted him, and instead wound up trading Jose Contreras to the Chicago White Sox for Loaiza in a swap of starting pitchers.

With more than 20 teams still in the play-off hunt, a lot of clubs were eager for action. Many got busy, including those old October heartbreakers, the Red Sox and Cubs.

Garciaparra was already wearing his Boston jersey when manager Terry Francona called a team meeting before the game at Minnesota.

Then, the news came inside the clubhouse: The five-time All-Star shortstop and two-time AL batting champion was headed to the Cubs.

"My initial reaction was 'wow,'" Garciaparra said.

"It was in my control, I'd still be wearing a Red Sox uniform, because it's the place I know, I love. All of those fans, I'll always remember. But I'm also going to another great place. I'm going to a phenomenal city with great tradition and well, phenomenal fans, great organization."

And he added: "Hopefully, we'll see them in the World Series."

Cubs General Manager Jim Hendry was ecstatic to get Garciaparra, who is in the last year of his contract and has been the subject of trade rumors all year.

"I think he will bring a ton to the table and a presence on the field and off," Hendry said. "You never go to work thinking he's going to be available."

Garciaparra, 21, is batting .321 with five home runs and 21 RBIs in 38 games this

season. He missed the first 57 games of the season with an injured Achilles' tendon.

The Red Sox wound up with Cabrera, Montreal's Gold Glove shortstop, and Minnesota first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz, while the Cubs got Garciaparra and minor league outfielder Matt Murton.

Montreal acquired Cubs shortstop Alex Gonzalez, pitcher Francis Beltran and infielder Brendan Harris and the Twins got minor league pitcher Justin Jones.

The NL West-leading Dodgers were active, making three trades a day after completing a six-player deal with Florida.

After Finley agreed to accept a deal to Los Angeles, the Diamondbacks traded the four-time Gold Glove center fielder with catcher Brent Mayne. The 39-year-old Finley hit .274 with 23 home runs and 48 RBIs for Arizona.

"This gives him an opportunity to expand his horizon for the remainder of the season," Arizona GM Joe Garagiola Jr. said.

The Dodgers sent minor league catcher Koryle Hill, outfielder Reggie Abercrombie and reliever Travis Chapman to Arizona. The Dodgers acquired Murphy on Friday in a trade with the Florida Marlins.

Los Angeles then traded center fielder Roberto to Boston for minor league outfielder Henry Stanley. Earlier, the Dodgers sent left-handed reliever Tom Martin to Atlanta for minor league lefty Matt Merricks.

After getting shut out on Johnson, the AL East-leading Yankees swapped the inconsistent Contreras and \$3 million for Loaiza, a 21-game winner last season.

"This one gained steam rather quickly. This deal started probably about 10:30 or 11 o'clock," Yankees GM Brian Cashman said.

In other trades:

■ Florida acquired starting pitcher Ismael Valdez and reliever Rudy Seanez. The World Series champions sent minor league pitcher Travis Chisholm to San Diego for Valdez and dealt outfielder Abraham Nunez to Kansas City for Seanez.

■ AL West-leading Texas got pitcher Scott Erickson and cash from the New York Mets for a player to be named.

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# No fight left in Iron Mike

BY JOHN CLAY

Lexington (Ky.) Herald-Leader

IT WAS near the end of the third round Friday night in Freedom Hall when the fan sitting beside me, the fan wearing the Tyson hat, let out a sigh of significant sorrow.

"Mike," said the older African-American gentleman who had found his way onto press row, "ain't what he used to be."

One round later, Mike Tyson was on his back.

No further need for the Mellow Mike Makeover. No mas.

Danny Williams, a 265-pound English muffin of little note, was it, so shocking everyone but himself by knocking out Tyson with nine seconds remaining in the fourth round of their scheduled 10-rounder.

Looks like Tyson is going to have to find another way to earn his way out of that \$38 million of debt.

Because Mike Tyson is officially over, oh so over.

Funny that it all came to an end in Louisville, of all places. "I'm not sure where he's going to go from here," admitted Tyson's trainer Freddie Roach. "He's 38 years old."

Tyson is an old 38, a beaten 38, a fighter without a champion's ship belt in eight years, or a fight in 17 months.

Really? Try ring rust. He still packed the hall, not for what he is, but for what he was.

Williams exposed the current Tyson as a diminished boxer who tried but could not flatten Williams in the first round Friday night. Not that Tyson didn't make a valiant attempt. He tried to recapture his prime, thundering out of his corner. He seemed to beat the taller Englishman midway through the first round, but he couldn't put Williams on the mat.

Emboldened by his ability to stay on his feet, the challenger started fighting back. The harder Williams fought back, the more Tyson wavered. By round three, you, as

well as the Tyson fan beside you, could feel the tide turning. By the start of the fourth round, the fan was muttering, as if he himself couldn't believe it.

"He's going to knock Mike out," he said. "Which is exactly what Williams did. Tyson did seem to at least slightly injure himself in the first round. At one point, Tyson grabbed for his leg. Afterward, his corner claimed the former heavyweight champ suffered a twisted knee or a pulled muscle. Even after that, however, Tyson came back to throw good, hard shots. Just not hard enough."

He hasn't been that fighter for maybe 16 years. Truth be told, he wasted it all on a rape conviction, other legal troubles, mental problems, money woes.

As one stunned fan said afterward, "It's sad."

What was supposed to be the beginning of a comeback became a curtain.

And how Team Tyson had tried to put a shiny new countenance on that tattooed Tyson face. For the past few weeks, Menacing Mike played the Mellow Mike. He talked in dark corners. He signed autographs. He functioned as if an actual member of the human race.

Yes, for one night, anyway, Freedom Hall slipped into a different world, an alternative universe of padded suits and plunging necklines and mysterious characters hidden in dark corners.

For one night, anyway, for what it was, Louisville was the center of the boxing universe.

Tyson made it so. Those reports of an irrelevant Tyson seemed exaggerated by fight time. Most every seat was filled. Official attendance: 17,273.

They chanted "Tyson, Tyson, Tyson" when he walked to the ring. They booed Williams upon the Englishman's introduction. They roared in those early moments when Tyson appeared headed full steam ahead for a first-round KO.

In the end, with Tyson not up against the ropes but laying at the bottom of them, the man beside me put his head into his hands. It's not just that Mike ain't what he used to be.

Mike Tyson is done.

# Tyson: Handlers cite knee injury

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Tyson, who left without talking, won the first three rounds, but Williams was landing well to the head. When he began throwing punches after with Tyson near a neutral corner, Tyson couldn't answer back.

It was Tyson's first fight in 17 months, and only his second since taking a beating from former heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis two years ago. But Lewis was a legitimate world champion, while the 31-year-old Williams' biggest claim to fame was winning the British heavyweight title.

Tyson was desperately trying to resurrect a career that made him more than \$300 million which he squandered, but the loss to a 9-1 underdog perhaps signals the end of an era in the heavyweight division.

Roach credited Williams with fighting a good fight, but said Tyson was hampered by the injury.

"It's kind of hard to pivot and throw some shots without your left knee," Roach

said. "But Danny Williams surprised a lot of us."

The crowd of 17,253 came to see a knock-out by Tyson, and when Tyson rocked Williams with a big uppercut and some left hooks in the first two rounds it looked like they would get what they came for.

But Tyson was cut in the third round, and Williams showed he was going to be the bully in this fight. He hit Tyson on the break, losing a point, then hit him low, and the referee took him out of the fight.

The bully was being bullied, and Tyson couldn't stand up to it.

"Every single round that went by, his punching power seemed to grow less," Williams said. "So I knew I was going to take him out."

Tyson's record fell to 50-5-2 and the loss was his first in a non-title fight. Tyson earned about \$8 million for the 57th fight of his professional career, began 19 years ago. He could only keep \$2 million of it, with the rest going to pay off some of the \$38 million he owes to creditors, under a bankruptcy reorganization plan.

# Dodgers send Lo Duca to Florida

The Associated Press

As time wound down for teams still hoping to make a big deal before Saturday's 4 p.m. EDT trade deadline, some of the most enticing players available had already switched uniforms.

Brad Penny, Paul Lo Duca and Kris Benson were among the big names on the move Friday.

The Marlins traded Penny, first base-

man Hee Seop Choi and minor league left-hander Bill Murphy to Los Angeles for Lo Duca, reliever Guillermo Mota and outfielder Juan Encarnacion.

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# Former Giants player tests feds he got drugs from Bonds' trainer

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A former San Francisco Giants outfielder told a federal investigator that he obtained performance-enhancing drugs from the trainer for Giants slugger Barry Bonds, a newspaper reported Saturday.

An investigative memo obtained by the San Francisco Chronicle says that Armando Rios, now in the minor leagues, told an Internal Revenue Service special agent that he purchased a human-growth hormone and testosterone from Bonds' trainer, Greg Anderson.

Additional memo details claims by John McEwen, the second-ranked U.S. hammer thrower in 2003, and San Francisco State University sprint coaches Kenny McDaniel and LaKiesha Givens, the newspaper reported.

The three allegedly told an IRS special agent they acquired drugs from Victor Conte, owner of Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative.

"Everyone is taking it," McDaniel claims Conte told him of a drug called "rocket fuel," according to the memo.

Anderson's lawyer, Anna Ling, rejected the memo's claims and said the government was persecuting her client with "outrageous" leaks to the news media.

Anderson, Conte, and two others have been accused in an indictment of conspiracy to distribute illegal performance-enhancing drugs to top athletes. They have pleaded not guilty.

Bonds has denied using performance-enhancing drugs.

## U.S. beats Puerto Rico in Olympic tuneup without Iverson, James and Stoudemire

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Allen Iverson and Larry Brown got their first Olympic tiff out of the way Saturday, and the American team defeated Puerto Rico 90-76 in a tuneup match before the start of the basketball tournament.

Brown, often at odds with Iverson during their six years together with the Philadelphia 76ers, said the three someone for missing a team meeting earlier in the day.

They sat on the end of the bench and watched their nine teammates put in a hot-and-cold effort to be expected from a group of players who are just get-

ting to know each other.

"They broke a team rule and we are a team," Brown said. "They paid the penalty. Nobody wanted to embarrass them, and now we're moving on."

Carmelo Anthony and Carlos Boozer led the Americans with 16 points each. Dwyane Wade had eight assists, more than half of which were alley-oops and no-look feeds. Tim Duncan finished with 15 points and 10 rebounds.

## Sharapova ousted by Myskina in California

CARLSBAD, Calif. — French Open champion Anastasia Myskina posted a 7-5, 6-2 victory over erratic Maria Sharapova in the Acacia Classic quarterfinals Friday, ending the Wimbledon champion's 14-match winning streak.

Serena Williams withdrew from the \$1.3 million event Friday because of swelling in her left knee.

On Saturday, Lindsay Davenport overcame a jammed right knee to beat Elena Dementieva 6-2, 6-4 in the semifinals, extending her winning streak to 13 matches.

Davenport will play either Myskina or 12th-seeded Vera Zvonareva in the finals.

## Roddick's winning streak reaches 22

TORONTO — Roger Federer extended his unbeaten streak to 22 matches on Saturday, advancing to the final of the Tennis Masters Canada with a 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 victory over Thomas Johansson.

Federer, who hasn't lost a match since the French Open, will face the winner of the other semifinal between Andy Roddick and Nicolas Pietrangeli.

## East beats West 3-2 in MLS All-Star Game

WASHINGTON — Armado Guevara made sure that Freddy Adu would need to be remarkable for the Eastern Conference to win the MLS All-Star Game.

Guevara carried his stature as the league's leading scorer, contributing two first-half goals on Saturday to carry the East past the West 3-2.

Adu, the 15-year-old rookie for hometown D.C. United, was inserted in the second half and thrilled the announced crowd of 21,378 with some sharp moves with the ball. But none of his shots came close to getting past goalkeeper Kevin Hartman.

Adu, who has two goals in seven games since joining the league in April, was a special pick by Commissioner Don Garber.

# Bills reach terms with their top picks

The Associated Press

The Buffalo Bills will have both of their first-round picks ready to participate in the team's first training camp session after receiver Lee Evans and quarterback J.P. Losman agreed to contracts on Saturday.

Evans was selected 13th overall out of Wisconsin and Losman 22nd out of Tulane.

Losman signed a five-year deal that includes a \$5.6 million signing bonus. It could be worth as much as \$24.5 million if Losman meets all his incentives. Terms of Evans' deal were not immediately available.

The Bills hope Losman will eventually replace starter Drew Bledsoe. Losman is a strong-armed and mobile player who last year became only the third Tulane quarterback to throw for 3,000 yards. He finished with 3,077 yards passing, 33 touchdowns and 14 interceptions.

The Bills were so interested in Losman that they gave up three draft picks, including a first-round next year, in a deal with Dallas to trade up.

Evans set a career record at Wisconsin with 175 catches for 3,468 yards and 26 touchdowns.

## NFL roundup

In NFL news on Friday:

■ Wide receiver Reggie Williams, the ninth overall draft pick, agreed in principle to a contract with Jacksonville. Also coming to terms with the Jaguars were linebacker Daryl Smith, running back Greg Jones, freebomber Jorge Cordova and wide receiver Ernest Wilford.

■ Carolina agreed on a five-year contract with fifth-round draft pick tight end Steve Watson. Details were unavailable, but the cornerback from Ohio State would be expected to earn about \$1.5 million per season, based on contracts of similar draft picks.

■ New England signed safety Gus Scott and running back Cedric Cobbs, third- and fifth-round draft picks. Tight end Ben Watson, the team's second first-round pick, is its only unsigned rookie.

■ Tennessee agreed to terms with tight end Ben Troupe and defensive end Travis LaBoy, Antwan Odom and Bo Schobel, the last of their draft picks to sign.

Troupe was the Titans' top pick after the team traded out of the first round.

■ Denver signed running back Tatum Bell, their second-round draft pick and 41st overall selection. Terms were not disclosed.

■ Dallas agreed in principle on a deal with offensive tackle Jacob Rogers, a second-round pick from Southern Cal. Safety Darren Woodson will be placed on the physically unable to perform list.

■ Miami signed wide receiver Vernon Carey to a five-year contract. Carey, a 6-foot-4, 335-pound offensive lineman was the 11th overall pick.

■ Minnesota signed first-round draft pick Kenechi Udezue to a five-year contract. The defensive end from USC was taken 20th overall.

■ San Francisco agreed to terms with all five of its remaining unsigned rookies, including first-round pick Rashawn Woods, a receiver from Oklahoma State taken 31st overall. Woods got a three-year deal.

■ Jason Hanson, who has kicked for Detroit for his entire 12-year NFL career, signed a four-year deal. The Lions began training camp without receiver Roy Williams, the team's first draft pick.



Cristie Kerr, a 26-year-old from Miami, shot 9-under 63 on Saturday to move Kerr to the top of the lead in the Women's British Open.

# Singh leads Buick by two in Buick

The Associated Press

GRAND BLANC, Mich. — Tiger Woods shot 6-under 66 Saturday in the Buick Open, and lost ground to Vijay Singh.

Singh shot 65 — the lowest score of the third round — on an 18-under 198 and a two-stroke lead over John Daly, who shot 66. Singh has won the past six tournaments he's led after 54 holes.

Woods started the day trailing by two shots, and despite six birdies and no bogeys, he fell one shot further back and was tied for third with Carlos Franco at 15-under. Daniel Chopra (66) was four strokes behind Singh.

Defending champion Jim Furyk and Billy Andrade, who shared the second-round lead with Singh, struggled. Unlike many in the field, they didn't take advantage of ideal playing conditions on one of the easier courses on the PGA Tour.

Furyk shot 70, and fell into a tie for sixth, five behind the leader. Andrade was 1-over and trailed by eight.

Singh, who trails only Woods and Ernie Els in the world rankings, has three victories this year and 10 top-10 finishes.

But since winning consecutive tournaments three months ago, he has just two top-five finishes and was tied for 28th in the U.S. Open and 20th in the British Open.

Daly has a chance to win two tournaments in one year for the first time, and a victory would move him into contention for a spot on the Ryder Cup team.

He won the Buick Invitational six months ago, but hasn't had a top-10 finish since April.

## Finish teen breaks record in professional major with a 62

SUNNINGDALE, England — Annika Sorenstam overcame two double bogeys to stay in contention in the Women's British Open on Saturday, and Minnie Blomqvist of Finland surged up the leader board with the lowest score over a major.

Sorenstam over a double-bogey 7 on Nos. 1 and 14 with six birdies in a 2-under 70 on Saturday, moving to 7-under 209 through three rounds on the Old Course at Sunningdale. She's five strokes behind co-leaders Heather Bowie and Rachel Teske, who shot 65 and moved to 12-under 204.

Cristie Kerr had a 9-under 63,

## Golf roundup

and is tied for 22 places with second-round leader Karen Staples (70) at 11-under 205.

The biggest move of the day came from 19-year-old Blomqvist, who made a 60-foot birdie putt on the final hole for a 10-under 62.

Five women and 21 men have shot 63s in majors.

Blomqvist had six birdies and two eagles, breaking the tournament record of 63 set three years ago by Karrie Webb at Turnberry. She also broke Webb's course record of 63 set in 1997.

After making the cut by a stroke, Blomqvist was at 8-under 208, tied for seventh place with Laura Davies (69) and Seol-An Jeon (70).

"I had a feeling today that everything is going good," Blomqvist said. "And that's always an easy feeling. Yesterday, I couldn't concentrate on any putt. Today, it was totally different."

Sorenstam, trying to join Mickey Wright as the only players to win back-to-back titles in all four majors, drove into the rough and three-putted for each double-bogey.

"I had two bad holes that ruined the whole day for me," she said. "I played them too aggressively and I paid the price for those two holes. But, other than that, I made five birdies and to still shoot under par, and with two double bogeys, I've got to be pleased with that."

## Donald up by three in Sweden

LODDEKOPINGE, Sweden — Luke Donald shot 3-under 69 on Saturday to take a three-shot lead over Peter Hanson after the third round of the Scandinavian Masters.

## Jacobson leads delayed Senior U.S. Open

ST. LOUIS — The second round of the U.S. Senior Open was postponed due to unplayable conditions and the USGA plans to complete the championship with 36 holes on Sunday.

Peter Jacobson was the first-round leader with a 6-under 65. Craig Stadler was second at 5-under.

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# Tyson down for the count

## Notorious ex-champ KO'd by British journeyman in 4th round

BY TIM DAHLBERG

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The end came with the shocking suddenness of many Mike Tyson fights. First, the flurry of devastating punches, then a fighter falling bleeding to the canvas.

Even more shocking was that fighter was Tyson himself.

A comeback born out of financial desperation didn't go past the fourth round Friday night when an unheralded British heavyweight by the name of Danny Williams knocked Tyson out with a savagery that may have once and for all exposed Tyson as a shot fighter.

At the age of 38, Tyson ran out of energy after trying to put Williams down for the first three rounds and was driven to the canvas with a final right hand that may have signaled the end of his hopes to become a serious heavyweight contender again.

"Once I hurt him I just let go," Williams said. "I just kept punching and punching."

Beaten and battered, Tyson laid helplessly along the ropes, blood flowing down his face. The former baddest man on the planet stared ahead with a look of resignation on his face as his latest comeback — and perhaps his tumultuous career — collapsed along with him.

On Saturday, Tyson's manager claimed his fighter tore a ligament in his left knee in the first round.

Shelly Finkel said an MRI showed a complex tear of the lateral meniscus, and that Tyson couldn't even walk on the leg Saturday. He said Tyson's ex-wife Monica, who is a doctor, read the results.

"That's why he couldn't throw the right hand the rest of the fight," Finkel said. "I was screaming at him to throw it, but he couldn't."

In his corner after the fight, Tyson apologized to his trainer. Across the ring, Williams celebrated and then proposed to his girlfriend — who accepted.

And somewhere, lawyers began trying to figure out how Tyson could pay off \$38 million in debt when his asking price will surely plunge after such a devastating defeat.

"People forget this isn't a peak Mike Tyson. This was a Mike Tyson who was 38 years old," Williams said. "I thought I could win."

Williams ended a wild slugfest with a flurry of punches that sent Tyson sprawling



CINCINNATI ENQUIRER/AP

Mike Tyson watches referee Dennis Alfred count him out on a knockout in the fourth round by Danny Williams at Freedom Hall in Louisville, Ky., Friday. Tyson, \$38 million in debt, had hoped to start a comeback that would return him to the top of the heavyweight division.

ing into the ropes late in the fourth round. With blood streaming down his face, Tyson appeared to contemplate the end, then made a halfhearted effort to get up before the fight was called to an end at 2:51 of the fourth round.

"I'm sorry. I'm disappointed," Tyson told trainer Freddie Roach.

"You don't have to be sorry with me," Roach replied.

The fight was a free-for-all from the opening bell before an excited crowd at a nearly full Freedom Hall. Tyson landed some huge left hooks early, only to take punishment himself when Williams got over his initial stage fright and began brawling.

Fighting in Muhammad Ali's hometown before a crowd that cheered his every move, Tyson tried with every punch to score the kind of spectacular knockout that

would make him a heavyweight contender once again.

But Williams wouldn't go down, weathered the storm, and then came back to dish out more punishment. He improved to 32-3 with 27 knockouts.

"He was a strong guy with a lot of heart," Roach said of Williams. "He showed us things that we didn't see in films. He seized the opportunity of a lifetime."

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